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2012 SGEU Convention

Hundreds of members, delegates and guests will be gathering at the Exhibition Centre in Prince Albert from April 26 - 28 for SGEU's annual Convention.

"Convention is always an exciting event that gives our members a chance to network with members from other bargaining units, approve budgets, debate resolutions, and set the direction for the next year," said SGEU President Bob Bymoen.

"We are looking forward to enjoying each other's company and the Northern Prairie hospitality," added Bymoen.

This year's guest speakers include Dr. Perry Sirota, Clinical and Forensic Psychologist and Management Consultant; Donna Bowyer, Friends for Life Director at the Canadian Mental Health Association; and Deborah Howes, Chartered Arbitrator and Chartered Mediator from the Foundation of Administrative Justice.

Nominations and elections for the position of President, SFL Vice-President, NUPGE Vice-President, and three Board of Trustees positions will be held on the last day of Convention.

Doors will be open to the media on **Thursday April 26 from 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. and on Saturday April 28 from 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.**

For further information or to schedule an interview, please contact:

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2012 SGEU Convention - 99th Anniversary Information for Media

Dates: April 26-28, 2012
Location: Exhibition Centre - Prince Albert SK - 815 Exhibition Drive

Thursday, April 26

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Call to Order
National Anthem – O' Canada
President's Address
Media must exit convention hall after President's Address

3:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Guest Speaker: Donna Bowyer – Mental Illness in the Workplace

Friday, April 27

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Guest Speaker: Dr. Perry Sirota – Harassment and Bullying

Saturday, April 28

8:30 – 9:30
Election Speeches
Election of officers: SGEU President, SFL V.P., (3) Board of Trustees

9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
Guest Speaker – Deborah Howes, Foundation of Administrative Justice

4:15 p.m. (This is subject to change)
Adjournment

Please note: The convention hall will be closed to the media during regular business sessions. For access to the convention hall, please visit the onsite SGEU office upon arrival.

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