



CUPE's First National School Boards Meeting

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CUPE's first National School Boards Meeting will take place March 2nd to 4th, 2009 in Regina, Saskatchewan.

This event is a prime occasion for member activists, elected leaders, and staff from across the country to come together to connect, to learn

from each other and feel inspired as we consider the many challenges and successes in our sector.

Keynote speakers, panels, plenary sessions and workshops are all in the works to make our time together interesting, fruitful and fun. An agenda will be available online by mid November.

Every gathering of people consumes energy, produces waste and emits greenhouse gases. We have the opportunity at this first school boards meeting to lead the way in our union by **Greening** our national meeting.

Some of our first green steps:

- ★ **Register online** if you can. Confirmation of your participation will happen via email or telephone.
- ★ Provide **meeting materials on a memory stick** where possible, otherwise **print double-sided on recycled paper**. Make hard copies available for those who cannot make use of the memory stick option.
- ★ **Bring your own pen and paper.**
- ★ **We will provide re-usable water bottles** and you can **bring your coffee mug.**

Online registration will begin on November 10, 2008 at www.cupe.ca. Look for the **POWER UP!** logo at the bottom of the CUPE home page.

When you visit www.cupe.ca you will find:

1. Registration form
2. Child care application form
3. Access and services for persons with disabilities form
4. Hotel and travel arrangements information and deadlines
5. Agenda for the meeting

Register early, and please note there is a limit of:

- 2 persons from each local under 100 members
- 4 persons from each local over 100 members

There is no registration fee. Locals are responsible for the costs of their delegates' leaves of absence, travel, accommodation, and other related costs. The meeting will be conducted in both official languages.