



# NEWS BULLETIN



MARCH 22, 2011

## MINISTER MEETINGS CONTINUE

The AMM met with two Ministers on March 9, 2011 – *Theresa Oswald* (Health) and *Diane McGifford* (Advanced Education and Literacy).

The AMM opened the meeting with Minister Oswald by lauding the Province's plan to ensure every Manitoban has a family doctor by 2015. The AMM urged the Province to continue to expand its strategy to train, recruit and retain medical professionals in order to provide access to health care services for all Manitobans.

The Minister indicated there are now more incentives for students than the cost of medical school. She pointed out if the Province can saturate the market in major centres it will reduce the ability of physicians to move after the incentives run out.

The proposed rural medical school at Brandon University was also discussed. The Minister pointed out the cost of the school is expected to be around \$100M.

The AMM then urged the Province to eliminate the policy of requiring a 10% community contribution to health capital projects. The Minister admitted that they have not moved on this issue, but said the Province is always looking at ways to expand what is included in the 10% requirement.

The AMM also requested an update on the RHA Review.

The province-wide review of emergency medical services, looking at locations, response times and staffing, was raised next. The AMM asked the Minister to allow those communities with adequately trained personnel to retain their ambulance services.

*Position papers are available at*

[www.amm.mb.ca/pol\\_provincial.html](http://www.amm.mb.ca/pol_provincial.html)

The Apprenticeship Model for Water and Wastewater Operators was the first item raised with Minister McGifford. The AMM worked with the Province and other stakeholders to develop the

program and looks forward to its completion.

Training opportunities in emerging technologies was raised next. The AMM acknowledged Manitoba has begun to reap the economic benefits stemming from wind energy and biodiesel markets, but added the Province must be prepared to respond to a variety of opportunities that rely on emerging technology. The Minister indicated that Red River and other colleges adapt to the needs of industry and the industry comes to them when there is a need for new programs.

The review of the feasibility of a rural medical school at Brandon University was raised with Minister McGifford as well. She indicated the review will commence soon and will look at all issues involved. The Department agreed with AMM that the review must be transparent. ■

## AMM Awards Youth Leadership

The AMM is pleased to announce the recipient of the 2011 Young Community Leader Award is *Samantha Hunter-Garrioch*. President *Doug Dobrowolski* presented Ms. Hunter-Garrioch with the award at the Manitoba School Boards Association Celebration of Success evening on March 17, 2011.

Samantha, a student in the French Immersion program at Vincent Massey Collegiate, is an enthusiastic community volunteer who believes that every individual has the ability to make change and have their voice heard. She strives to live by the wisdom of Ghandi: "Be the change you wish to see in the world."

"Students like Samantha play a vital role in our communities," said President Dobrowolski. "It is important we recognize and encourage their contributions, because today's youth are tomorrow's community leaders and builders." ■



## COMING SOON—THE SPRING, 2011 ISSUE OF THE MUNICIPAL LEADER

*Highlights:*

*Growing Arborg \* Meet Brandon's new Mayor \* Women in Government \* The 2011 Flood Fight \* Social Media for municipalities \* 2011 MOS and MTCML Trade Show preview \* AMM education seminar preview \* free Learn to Swim program \* and much more!*



## Coming Events

### 2011 Municipal Officials Seminar and MTCML Trade Show

April 13 and 14, 2011

Brandon Keystone Centre



**Early Bird  
Registration**

**WHEN:** March 7th to 25th

**WHERE:** AMM website

[www.amm.mb.ca](http://www.amm.mb.ca)

**COST:** \$100 plus GST per  
delegate

**\*\*\*AFTER MARCH 25th\*\*\***

**COST:** \$150 plus GST per  
delegate

**Register early and save!**

### Manitoba's Capturing Opportunities Awards Deadline

As part of the Capturing Opportunities Business and Community Forum held in Brandon each spring, four prestigious awards are presented every year, honouring outstanding Manitobans and exceptional business and community projects. Award categories include:

- Outstanding Community Leadership
- Rural Youth Achievement
- Economic Development Innovation (Community)
- Economic Development Innovation (Corporate)

To nominate an unsung hero, business, or group in your community, go to [capturingopportunities.ca](http://capturingopportunities.ca) and fill out a nomination form online. For help in completing a nomination form, contact your local Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives GO Office.

**Deadline for nominations is noon on  
April 1, 2011.**

For more information on the Capturing Opportunities Conference, or to register for an event, go to:

[capturingopportunities.ca](http://capturingopportunities.ca);

or call 204-761-6317 in Brandon, toll  
free 1-800-933-9863.

## Coming Events



Federation of Canadian Municipalities

### FCM Elections for National Board of Directors

*Have you given any thought to running for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' (FCM) National Board of Directors? Would you like to have a positive influence on policies affecting cities and communities at the federal level?*

If so, you may want to consider submitting your nomination for a seat on FCM's National Board of Directors. It is a productive and rewarding way to solve problems in your municipality while working with colleagues from across Canada.

With its 1,800 members, FCM speaks on behalf of 90 per cent of Canada's population. Members include Canada's largest cities, small urban and rural communities, and 18 provincial and territorial municipal associations.

Through its membership, represented by 74 delegates on the National Board of Directors—including five from Manitoba—FCM is one of the most credible and respected organizations in this country.

#### Important Dates:

- April 5, 2011—Posting of Nominations of Table Officer Positions on the FCM Website; Circulation of Consent Forms and Web Posting for Board Member Positions to FCM Members
- May 16, 2011—Deadline for Candidates to Submit Nominations for Table Officer Positions; Deadline for Submission of Consent Forms for Board Member Positions
- May 21, 2011—Deadline for Candidates to Withdraw from any Table Officer Positions
- June 5—FCM 2011 Annual General Meeting; Provincial Elections for Board Member Positions

For further information on FCM's electoral process for its National Board of Directors, and to obtain the necessary election documents, please visit our website at [www.fcm.ca](http://www.fcm.ca).

## Job Postings

### Assistant Administrative Officer City of Dauphin

Reporting to the Chief Administrative Officer, this full-time, out-of-scope position is responsible for the drafting and maintenance of City policies, by-laws, Council and Committee correspondence, along with supervision of multiple personnel.

The City of Dauphin is looking for a highly motivated, efficient individual who possesses a high degree of proficiency with written communication, as well as an ability to work closely with the City lawyer, Council and the various City Committees. The ideal candidate should possess:

- A University Degree;
- Knowledge of, and proficiency in, the preparation of organizational policies and by-laws;
- Completion of (or willingness to complete) the Certificate in Manitoba Municipal
- Administration (CMMA) program from the University of Manitoba;
- Experience in Human Resource Management, including supervision of employees;

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The City of Dauphin offers a comprehensive benefits package, including extended medical and dental coverage, out-of-country medical insurance, life insurance, long-term disability insurance and participation in a

very attractive defined-benefit pension plan, administered by the Manitoba Employee Benefits Program (MEBP).

Interested applicants are asked to submit their resume, three references and salary expectations, IN CONFIDENCE and clearly marked "Assistant Administrative Officer", by March 31, 2011 to:

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100 Main Street South  
Dauphin, MB R7N 1K3  
Email: [cao@dauphin.ca](mailto:cao@dauphin.ca)**