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**MEMORANDUM TO:** Directors of Education and Supervisory Officers of School Authorities

**FROM:** Carlana Lindeman

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**SUBJECT:** **Trustee Orientation Seminars**

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The Ministry of Education, in partnership with the four provincial trustee associations and the Council of Directors of Education, is hosting regional orientation seminars for newly-elected and returning school board trustees. A memo of invitation and registration forms will be forwarded to you directly after the November 13<sup>th</sup> board elections. In the meantime, I would like to provide you with the following information on the dates, locations, and focus of the seminars.

Each of the one-day seminars will focus on the student achievement agenda. The dates and locations for the training seminars are as follows:

Wednesday, November 29	Ottawa	Travelodge Ottawa West
Friday, December 1	London	Four Points Sheraton
Tuesday, December 5	Barrie	Holiday Inn West
Thursday, December 7	Thunder Bay	Valhalla Inn
Thursday, December 14	Sudbury	Holiday Inn
Monday, December 18	Toronto	Radisson Admiral Harbourfront

The seminars will be presented in a bilingual format, and will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end by 3:15 p.m. This should allow most participants to travel to and from the seminar the same day.

We are also offering an additional seminar specifically for school authority trustees in Barrie, Thunder Bay and Sudbury. Those sessions will focus on issues unique to school authority boards, including funding and governance issues. School authority trustees are invited to attend both the larger session as well as the specialized training session focussing on school authority boards. The school authority sessions will take place from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm on the following dates:

Monday, December 4            Barrie                    Holiday Inn West

Tuesday, December 5        Thunder Bay            Valhalla Inn

Wednesday, December 13    Sudbury                 Holiday Inn

A block of rooms has been set aside at the Valhalla Inn for the sessions at a rate of \$129.95 per night. Please quote group booking number 2720 when making reservations

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Pat Rose at 1-800-465-5020 or 1-807-475-1308 at the Thunder Bay Ministry of Education Regional Office.

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