

Midterm Convention Proceedings

November 8 and 9, 2005
Centre of the Arts, Regina

Registration Desk Statistics

Reeves & Councillors	650
Administrators	188
Visitors	68
Total	906
Municipalities Represented:	256

Tuesday, November 8, 2005

10:00 a.m.

President Neal Hardy called the convention to order. "O Canada" was sung. Executive Director Ken Engel made several announcements. President Hardy introduced the Board of Directors and spouses and then spoke on the operations of SARM during the past year.

10:40 a.m.

Maryellen Carlson, Assistant Deputy Minister of the Department of Government Relations gave a presentation on the New Deal for Cities and Communities.

11:00 a.m.

Members of the Education Tax Coalition addressed the delegates. Speakers were:

- Neal Hardy, President of SARM
- Don Schlosser, President of the Saskatchewan School Boards Association
- Ted Hillstead, President of the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce
- Larry Schneider, Executive Director of the Provincial Association of Resort Communities.

11:45 a.m.

The convention was recessed for lunch to reconvene at 1:15 P.M.

1:15 p.m.

Resolutions 1-05M to 15-05M were debated.

2:15 p.m.

The Transportation and Development Subcommittees of the Clearing the Path Committee gave an update on each committee's work.

3:15 p.m.

Resolutions 16-05M to 24-05M were debated.

3:50 p.m.

SARM Director of Agricultural Policy and Communications presented an update on agricultural issues.

4:20 p.m.

Greg Haase, Director of Lands Administration, Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food, gave a presentation on the province's Crown Land Policy.

5:00 p.m.

The convention recessed for the day to reconvene at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, November 9, 2005.

Wednesday, November 9, 2005

9:00 p.m.

Honourable Len Taylor, Minister of Government Relations addressed the delegates.

10:00 a.m.

Two workshops were held concurrently being

Carol Ingham and Ralph Leibel, Department of Government Relations presented at the workshop on legislative change; and *The Municipalities Act* and *The Planning and Development Act*.

Paul Christensen, gave a report on the Primary Weight Study, commissioned by SARM and the Department of Highways and Transportation.

11:00 a.m.

Honourable Wayne Easter, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada addressed the delegates.

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Doug Howarko, Regional Development Manager with the Department of Rural Development and Sandra Blyth, Project Manager, for Action Southwest Business Networks Coalition gave a presentation on the Coalition.

2:15 p.m.

Resolutions POP1-05M to POP4-05M were debated.

3:20 p.m.

Sharon Peterson and Marilyn Toews gave a presentation on the Farm Stress Line.

The convention was adjourned.