

OUTREACH

To The Superannuated Teachers
of Saskatchewan

President's Report

Maxine Stinka

The STS Executive was very pleased to have STF President Patrick Maze and STF Executive Director Gwen Dueck attend our March meeting. They updated us on a number of STF initiatives, and we had an opportunity to discuss items of interest and concern to both the STF and the STS. The STS is a local of the STF but there are several ways we differ from the active teacher locals. We looked at ways we could collaborate to assist in advocacy efforts and improve communications. In addition, a number of issues were clarified. For instance, the Saskatchewan Professional Teachers Regulatory Board can only discipline those teachers who are registered with the Board, or those who were registered within two years prior to the complaint. If you are interested in the STF position regarding the Education Governance Review, their presentation is on the STF website which is available to the public.

Past-President Doug Haroldson attended the STF Presidents' Meeting in February as well as, the McDowell Foundation 25th Anniversary celebration on our behalf. Harold Schultz, an STS member, received the McDowell Foundation Builder Award for his contributions to education and the Foundation. Congratulations Harold!

Our eight councillors will be attending the STF Annual Meeting of Council in April.

The STS Executive finalized plans for the STS Annual General Meeting. There is still time to nominate those interested in running for an Executive position, as well as, for submission of resolutions. STS members elected to the Executive receive reimbursement for all expenses incurred as a result of their duties on the Executive regardless of where they reside. Resolutions received as of March 9, 2017, are printed in this issue of *Outreach*. Also the names of those nominated to date for the Executive are included. Honorary Life Members were selected from a number of well-qualified nominations. The Budget, Finance and Audit Committee recommended a proposed budget for the 2017-18 fiscal year. It is included in this issue of *Outreach*. Membership as of March 8, 2017, was 11,123.

The Extended Health and Dental Plan experience report indicates that our Plan is running a deficit of about \$470,000. There will be no increase in premiums before June 30, 2018, as any deficits can be covered by the Unappropriated Reserve. We will be unable to make any improvements at this time. If this trend continues, premiums in a new contract may need to be increased.

More information is available in the Committee reports.

This Fall, STS Executive members facilitated three Retirement Lifestyles Planning Seminars for those active teachers contemplating retirement in the near future. We are fortunate to have the services of Karen Tzupa at most of these sessions to inform participants about retirement planners. According to evaluations, these seminars have been very favorably received. Minor changes have been made, and more requests have been submitted. Teacher locals or school boards can request one of these two-hour sessions by contacting the STS office.

Our website is being updated and should be online in the near future. For those STS members who are able to access *Outreach* online, it would be appreciated if you sent an email to sts@sts.sk.ca rather than receiving a printed copy. At present there are 1,514 STS members doing that, but it is still necessary to print 9,000 copies of each edition. Each printed copy costs about \$1 so there would be a substantial savings in mailing costs if more members opted for the online version.

At one time those teachers in the Teachers' Superannuation Plan who withdrew their contributions were required to leave a portion of their contributions in the fund.

This was considered a death benefit. As a result of provincial STF contract negotiations, there is now an amendment that allows those teachers with less than 20 days of contributory service to apply for their

contributions plus interest. Contact the Teachers' Superannuation Commission (1-877-364-8202) for more information. Also, the TSC is sending a letter to all TSC retirees to confirm their receipt of pension

payments. This is to ensure that those who qualify for a superannuation pension are receiving one. This will require a number of years to complete but if you receive a letter, please respond to it.

Budget, Finance and Audit – Sunil Pandila

The Budget, Finance and Audit Committee met March 8. As per the 2016-17 goal of monitoring the budget, we reviewed the financial statements of the STS Operating and STS Extended Health Funds.

The current membership is at 11,123, a decline from the previous 11,148.

The Current Year to Date analysis for the STS Operating Fund shows Net Revenues of \$89,933.32.

The Contingency Fund as of December 31, 2016, showed an increase of approximately \$10,000.00 from the previous quarter and is now at \$969,725.23. This was due to accrued investment income.

As for the current 2016-17 budget, some major expenditures such as the AGM, Office Operations and office Staff are yet to be incurred, but should not have a negative impact as they are already included in the budget and should fall within the allocated amount. To date, we continue to be on track in our current budget in all expenditure areas.

The Committee also put forth the 2017-18 draft budget. This was approved by the Executive and will now go to the AGM for membership consideration in May. We did not include a monetary figure for an additional Chapter attendee at Presidents' Day. It was suggested that a decision regarding an additional

attendee at Presidents' Day be delayed for at least another year.

The draft budget is on the next page.

Nominations

Doug Haroldson

Nominations for the Provincial Executive are welcomed. Deadline for submission of nominations is 4 p.m. the evening of the day prior to STS Executive elections (Bylaw 3). Expenses for all Executive members are paid no matter where they reside.

To date, declared candidates for the STS provincial Executive are:

President:

- Maxine Stinka

Vice-President:

- Sunil Pandila

ACER-CART:

Councillors:

(five to be elected)

- Don Gabel
- Joyce Hoffman
- George Huczek
- Mike Kaminski
- Alan Laughlin
- Helen Sukovieff

Members at Large:

(seven to be elected)

- Sue Amundrud
- Laurie Dubé
- Jane Isinger
- Doreen Rathgeber
- Doug Still
- Anna Wehrkamp

Group Benefits – Doug Haroldson

On Wednesday, March 8, the Committee reviewed the Extended Health and Dental Plan Experience Reports for the period ending January 31, 2017. For the seven months from July 1, 2016, to January 31, 2017, the Extended Health Plan showed a deficit of approximately \$390,000. Compared to July 1, 2015 – January 31, 2016, the Extended Health Plan showed a surplus of \$180,000.00. Overall the cost for Extended Health Benefits has increased by 22%. Two major areas of increase are prescription drugs and paramedical services. The Dental Plan is running a deficit of \$80,000.00 creating a total deficit of \$470,000.00. Plan deficits are covered by the Unappropriated Reserve Funds.

Bob Wilhelms, Leslie Donsberger, and Glenn Reid from Saskatchewan Blue Cross provided information regarding the Paid Claims Analysis Report.

We are in the second year of a three-year contract. There will be no changes in premiums or benefits during the remaining term of the contract.

Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan

Proposed Budget: July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

INCOME	2014-2015 ACTUAL	2015-2016 BUDGET	2015-2016 ACTUAL	2016-2017 BUDGET	2016-17 7 Mo Actual	2017-18 PROPOSED
Membership Fees	316,545.00	330,000.000	325,768.00	370,000.00	194,844.50	335,000.00
Admin Commission (Benefits Plan)	296,568.00	300,000.000	355,907.00	420,000.00	251,030.82	430,000.00
Dividend Income						
Interest Income	2,884.00	3,000.000	2,540.00	3,500.00	1,460.37	3,000.00
Grant Revenue	1,500.00		55.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Sundry	256.00	1,000.000	490.00	1,000.00	232.00	500.00
TOTAL INCOME	617,753.00	634,000.000	684,760.00	796,000.00	449,067.69	770,000.00
EXPENSES						
Annual General Meeting	97,766.00	98,000.00	94,506.00	105,000.00		105,000.00
Amortization	15,235.00	10,000.00	15,083.00	15,000.00	8,397.30	15,000.00
Chapter Rebates	76,516.00	80,000.00	78,402.00	100,000.00	94,216.00	100,000.00
Executive and Committee Meetings	33,797.00	36,000.00	30,689.00	40,000.00	29,111.75	45,000.00
STS Affiliations	7,485.00	10,000.00	9,952.00	12,000.00	5,540.39	12,000.00
Executive Chapter Travel	12,225.00	12,000.00	14,056.00	13,000.00	5,286.94	13,000.00
Chapter Presidents' Meeting	10,574.00	12,000.00	11,481.00	14,000.00	10,664.06	14,000.00
Communications, Membership Growth, PR	50,922.00	56,000.00	57,345.00	56,000.00	25,033.61	60,000.00
Retirement Life Styles Planning Committee	6,698.00	8,000.00	5,617.00	10,000.00	293.14	10,000.00
Support Services Planning Committee	396.00	3,000.00	1,512.00	3,000.00	178.38	
Recreation	2,924.00	4,000.00	3,150.00	4,000.00	2,100.00	4,000.00
Office Staff	195,027.00	190,000.00	201,158.00	230,000.00	118,479.61	240,000.00
Office Operation	100,404.00	90,000.00	106,282.00	100,000.00	52,064.90	110,000.00
Computer and Programming	27,451.00	20,000.00	12,458.00	30,000.00	3,262.99	20,000.00
McDowell Foundation	2,000.00	2,500.00	6,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Scholarships	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00
Bank Service Charge	874.00	500.00	874.00	1,000.00	504.00	1,000.00
Gain/Loss on Disp of Assets	3,147.00			3,000.00	1.30	1,000.00
Management Fees						
TOTAL EXPENSES	645,441.00	634,000.00	651,065.00	740,000.00	359,134.37	755,000.00
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	-27,688.00		33,695.00	56,000.00		15,000.00

NOTES:

Note 1: The proposed budget for 2017-18 is based on an annual fee of \$30.00.

Note 2: A financial statement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, will be prepared as soon as possible after year-end, audited, and made available to all STS Chapters. Copies of the audited financial statement for 2015-16 will also be made available to all AGM Delegates at the 2017 AGM.

Note 3: The Operations Reserve Fund had a balance of \$287,664.00 as at June 30, 2016. Should a deficit be incurred for the 2017-18 fiscal year, it would be covered by monies from the Operations Reserve Fund.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. 11,000 Members.
2. Rebate to Chapters as follows: \$400.00 plus \$8.00 per member.

ACER-CART Report

Marie LeBlanc-Warick

ACER-CART is a national community of 13 Associations, motivated by the interests of retired teachers and other seniors.

The ACER-CART Annual General Meeting will be held June 1, 2, 3, 2017 in Ottawa. Your ACER-CART representative will be reporting on STS activities and programs at the AGM.

The ACER-CART Executive have met three times since the 2016 AGM, in September and October 2016, and January 2017. Your Executive/Committee Chairs/Regional Representatives are always working on your behalf. Some ACER-CART Executive members and Delegates were in attendance at the Canadian Health Coalition meeting held in Ottawa, on January 30, 31, 2017.

In an article entitled *The Medical Team Approach: A Shared Responsibility*, ACER-CART Past-President Arnold Hull shares strategies he has adopted to actively take part in the management of his treatment plan. You will find this article on the ACER-CART website: www.acer-cart.org.

On October 19, 2016, Bill C-27 was introduced to Parliament for first reading. If passed, the new act will amend the *Pension Benefits Standard Act* in order to create a legislative framework for a new kind of pension plan, known as the target benefit plan. It will work similar to a defined benefit pension plan with two important exceptions: first, the member contribution may fluctuate with the funding position of the plan and more importantly, accrued benefits may be reduced if

the targets are not met and there is a funding shortfall. The employer takes no risk.

Seniors' Voice/Voix des Aînés is a collaboration that embraces associations across Canada. It was organized to promote the celebration of the contribution of seniors to Canadian society. It strives to make Canadians aware that the UN has designated October 1 to be the International Day of Older Persons. Many Canadian municipalities have formally declared recognition of this special day. The website domains www.seniorsvoice.org and www.voixdesaînés.org identify the collaborating organizations and richly record October 1 celebrations across our nation. This organization has as its mandate as

Congratulations!

The following members were selected for Honorary Life Membership 2017 and will be presented with their awards at the AGM:

Maureen Donald

Tisdale Chapter

Kate McCorriston

Nipawin Chapter

Stella Shulhan

Saskatoon Chapter

well, advocacy at all three levels of government, focussing on health, pensions, housing and inequality. JoAnn Lauber, Past-President of ACER-CART, is the representative to Seniors' Voice.

44th Annual General Meeting of the STS

Tuesday, May 9 – Thursday, May 11, 2017

Travelodge Hotel, Saskatoon

Joyce Hoffman and Jane Isinger

The 44th STS AGM will be held on Tuesday, May 9 to Thursday, May 11, 2017, at the Travelodge Hotel in Saskatoon.

This year we will once again have a McDowell Foundation draw with several prizes. Thank you to the individuals and the Chapters that have so generously donated these items.

In January, preliminary AGM

information was sent to all Chapter Presidents. Delegates will receive their information once their names have been submitted to the STS office. This should be completed by April 1, 2017. Chapters are encouraged to prepare an alternate Delegate list in case of last minute changes. Delegates are reminded to make their reservations at the Travelodge Hotel in Saskatoon no later than April 8, 2017.

STS Resolutions 2017

Mike Kaminski

Resolutions Directed to the STS (A)

There are four Bylaw Resolutions that have been submitted and these will be presented at the Annual General Meeting.

(Non-Bylaws)

A 5. BE IT RESOLVED that STS be urged to negotiate with the insurance carrier for some coverage of “specialized footwear” prescribed in writing by a registered podiatrist.

Estevan Chapter

A 6. BE IT RESOLVED that STS negotiate with the insurance carrier to cover the medication Synvise or Durolane, when prescribed by a doctor.

Estevan Chapter

A 7. BE IT RESOLVED that STS negotiate with the insurance carrier to set up “direct billing” with registered physiotherapists and registered massage therapists.

Estevan Chapter

A 8. BE IT RESOLVED that the following policy be added to the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan *Policy Handbook*, “The STS does not pay for alcoholic drinks at any STS functions”.

Saskatoon Chapter

A 9. BE IT RESOLVED that the STS Executive encourage STS Chapters and members to advocate for seniors’ health care in Saskatchewan by requesting provincial and federal governments to provide increased funding specific to senior health care, a prescription drug plan that ensures affordable access to prescribed medicine, and the expansion of home care, as well as, regulated affordable care homes.

Regina Chapter

A 10. BE IT RESOLVED that the STS Executive develop strategies that STS Chapters and members can use to advocate for expanded health care for seniors in Saskatchewan.

Regina Chapter

A 11. BE IT RESOLVED that the STS support the Saskatchewan Crohn’s & Colitis Foundation’s efforts to have restrooms in public businesses accessible for Crohn’s and Colitis patients as well as for all seniors.

Peter Stroh

A 12. BE IT RESOLVED that the STS work with Saskatchewan Blue Cross to reduce the three premium brackets to a single premium rate for all members of the STS Group Dental Plan.

Peter Stroh

A 13. BE IT RESOLVED that on a one-year trial basis beginning on a date determined by the Executive subject to Bylaw 9.2, the STS reimburse the first three months’ premium for all new superannuates/retirees who enroll in the Extended Health Plan with funds from the Unappropriated Reserve.

Peter Stroh

A 14. BE IT RESOLVED that the STS reimburse the premium for all members over 90 years of age enrolled in the Extended Health Plan with funds from the Unappropriated Reserve.

Peter Stroh

A 15. BE IT RESOLVED that the STS budget \$15,000 for a joint program with Chapters to recognize the 150 superannuates with the longest membership as part of Canada’s 150th anniversary.

Peter Stroh

Resolutions Directed to the STF (B)

No resolutions have been received at this time.

Resolutions Directed to ACER-CART (C)

No resolutions have been received at this time.

Resolutions Directed to the Government (D)

D 1. BE IT RESOLVED that the STS request SSM to urge the Government of Saskatchewan to increase preventative and supportive resources for community-based seniors and those with chronic disease, promoting long term independence and well-being.

Saskatoon Chapter

D 2. BE IT RESOLVED that the STS Executive work with other provincial organizations such as Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism, to advocate for expanded seniors’ health care in Saskatchewan that would include increased funding specific to senior health care, a prescription drug plan that ensures affordable access to prescribed medicine, and the expansion of home care, as well as, regulated and affordable care homes.

Regina Chapter

D 3. BE IT RESOLVED that the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan, which administers its own voluntary Group Benefits Plan on behalf of approximately 7,250 members without subsidy from employers or government, voice its opposition to any policy change by the Government of Canada that would cause payments from its Group Benefits Program being subject to taxation, and that we communicate our position to leaders of the federal political parties, the federal Minister of Finance and all Saskatchewan Members of Parliament and ACER-CART.

Regina Chapter & Wadena Chapter

D 4. BE IT RESOLVED that the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan lobby the Ministers of Health and the Government of Saskatchewan to ensure that meaningful consultations with each of the provincial seniors' organizations are part of the dialogue involved in the transitional change of health services delivery in regard to transitioning from 12 Health Regions to one Health Authority.

Wadena Chapter

D 5. BE IT RESOLVED that the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan lobby the Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism to review their programs for seniors and to develop strategies for engaging member organizations in the delivery of seniors' programs – especially in rural Saskatchewan.

Wadena Chapter

D 6. BE IT RESOLVED that the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan lobby the Government of Saskatchewan to create the position of Seniors' Advocate to enable better, more responsive, proactive action to address the needs and concerns of seniors in the province.

Wadena Chapter

8th Annual STS Provincial Fishing Derby

June 8, 2017

Hosted by The Battlefords and District Chapter
 Contact: Alan Laughlin – ar.laughlin@sasktel.net
 To be held at Meeting Lake (12 km from Rabbit Lake)

10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Registration (At Senior Sunrise Circle in the Village of Rabbit Lake)
 12 - 4 p.m. Fishing on Meeting Lake
 4 - 6 p.m. Happy Hour with entertainment
 6 p.m. Fish Fry

Accommodations

1. Spiritwood Carlton Inn (30 km away) 306-883-2112
2. Various facilities in North Battleford (70 km away)
3. Meeting Lake Regional Park for RV sites 306-824-2076

Pre-register by May 10, 2017

Name:	_____
Address:	_____
Phone:	_____
Email:	_____
Cost of Registration	
\$20 per fisher (includes a fish fry supper)	___ x \$20 = \$ _____
\$12 for supper only	___ x \$12 = \$ _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED	= \$ _____

Tours: For people not wanting to fish, an afternoon tour of either the Crooked Trees or the Thickwood Hills will be arranged. If interested please check one of the following:

- Crooked Trees # _____
 Thickwood Hills # _____

Please make cheques payable to:

The Battlefords and District Chapter
 c/o Alan Laughlin
 PO Box 87 Rabbit Lake SK S0M 2L0

STS 2017 Golf Registration

- Tuesday and Wednesday, June 20 and 21, 2017
- Golf Kenosee, Kenosee Lake, Moose Mountain Park
- **All entrants must pre-register by June 8, 2017**

Name:	_____
Address:	_____
Postal Code:	_____
Phone:	_____
Email:	_____
Categories:	<input type="checkbox"/> Women <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Women (70+)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Men <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Men (70+)
Usual 18 hole score	_____ or Handicap _____
Tuesday, 1 p.m.	– shotgun scramble
Wednesday, 8 a.m.	– medal play
Registration fee:	
• Two days of green fees (36 holes) and Tuesday banquet	<input type="checkbox"/> \$130
(Rate for Golf Kenosee Members)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$45
• Tuesday Scramble and banquet only	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75
• Extra banquet ticket (Tax and gratuity included)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25
TOTAL ENCLOSED	= \$ _____

- Cart rental: **\$21** per golfer per round. Call Golf Kenosee Club 19 Pro Shop at 306-577-4422 to book.
- Make cheques payable to: STS Golf – 2017
- Mail registration and fees to:
 Marie Farnden, Box 292, Alameda, SK S0C 0A0
 (306-489-2024; jmfarneden@sasktel.net)
 OR Doris Morrow, Box 101, Alameda, SK S0C 0A0
 (306-489-4920, wmmorrow@xplornet.ca)

For further information contact:

Brenda Scheirer: 1-306-577-1255; bren.scheirer@sasktel.net

Accommodations:

- Kenosee Inn & Cabins: 306-577-2099
- Bear Claw Hotel and Casino: 306-577-4588
- Kenosee Mini-Mart and Motel: 306-577-2264
- Kenosee Cabins and Campground: 306-570-8010
- Camping – Fish Creek, Moose Mountain Park: 855-737-7275

Recreation

– Calvin Bachmeier



Upcoming Events

Recreational Activities Participation STS Style . . .

Bowling 2017

Date: May 4-5, 2017
Host: Regina Chapter
Contact: Florent Bilodeau
Phone: 306-757-5090
Email: bilodeauflorent@gmail.com
(registration form on STS website)

Contract Bridge 2017

Date: October 12, 2017
Host: South Central Chapter
Contact: Marian Spagrud
Phone: 306-476-2504 or
Contact: Lois Giraudier
Phone: 306-268-2097

Curling 2017

Date: November 6-8, 2017
Host: Saskatoon Chapter
Contact: Darlene Danyliw
Phone: 306-249-4494
Email: darlene.danyliw@shaw.ca

Fishing 2017

Date: June 8, 2017
Host: The Battlefords and District Chapter
Contact: Alan Laughlin
Phone: 306-824-4535
Email: ar.laughlin@sasktel.net

Golf 2017

Date: June 20-21, 2017
Host: Mainline and Souris Moose Mountain Chapters
Contact: Brenda Scheirer
Phone: 306-577-1255
Email: bren.scheirer@sasktel.net
Location: Kenosee Lake

Kaiser 2017

Date: To be determined
Host: Unity Chapter
Contact: Jim Sego
Email: jimsego@sasktel.net

Mah Jongg 2017

Date: May 3, 2017
Host: Regina Chapter
Contact: Helen Sukovieff
Email: helens@sasktel.net
(registration form on STS website)

Stitch 'N Quilt 2017

Date: October 17-19, 2017
Host: The Battlefords and District Chapter
Contact: Carol Stevenot
Email: battlefords.sts@live.ca
Phone: 306-481-5345
OR Bonnie Flahr
Phone: 306-386-3116

50 Year Reunion

Northwest Central High School Class of '67 is having their 50 year reunion on June 9, 10, 11, 2017, at Plenty, Saskatchewan. For more information, please contact Wilf at 306-932-0001 or Nancy at 306-662-2730.

Scholarship

Julie Rempel, a student at the University of Regina, is the recipient of the 2016 Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan scholarship.

Retired Teachers Volunteer Opportunity

Retired teachers who may be interested in volunteering at the Sambhali Trust in Jodhpur, India, please email volunteer@sambhali-trust.org for more information.

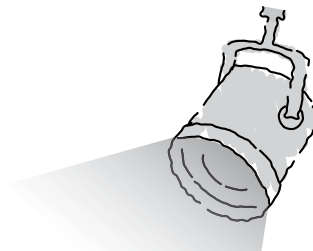
If Chapters are interested in hosting provincial events please contact the STS office or a member of the Recreation Committee. We would also be open to any proposals for new events.

Spotlight on Superannuates

Ken Rolheiser



At an Assiniboine Chapter meeting, Ken Rolheiser, author of *Dreamland and Soulscapes*, reflected on his German-Russian roots and the prairie one room school experience.



From The Editor's Desk Robert Wuschenny

With winter behind us, there are so many things to look forward to. Spring is just around the corner. Ah, spring that brings forth a sense of renewal or rebirth! At this time nature is nudged and comes to life. Finally we are able to shed those cumbersome winter clothes! Also, there are several STS provincial activities to look forward to: bowling, Mah Jongg, the AGM. I hope you will find time to participate in one or more of these events. Happy springtime!

STS Executive 2016-17

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Maple Creek-Medicine Hat Chapter

Mainline Chapter

Saskatoon Chapter

South Central Chapter

Yorkton Chapter

Carrot River Valley (Melfort & District) Chapter

STS Office Reminders

- Saskatchewan residents who are 65 years or older can apply for the Saskatchewan Seniors' Drug Plan. If you are approved by the Seniors' Drug Plan, you will receive a confirmation letter from the Ministry of Health. STS Group Benefits Planholders who are eligible for the Saskatchewan Seniors' Drug Plan may be eligible for a reduced premium by providing the STS office with a copy of the Seniors' Drug Plan confirmation letter.

For information on the Saskatchewan Seniors' Drug Plan, please speak with your pharmacist or contact the Seniors' Drug Plan office at 1-800-667-7581 or in Regina at 306-787-3317.

- For any changes to your address and/or Group Benefits coverage, please contact the STS office directly at 306-373-3879 or sts@sts.sk.ca.
- If you are on a temporary contract and wish to suspend your STS Group Benefits, please contact the STS office.
- Please make sure that you are using the correct email address for the STS: sts@sts.sk.ca.



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