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IT'S NOT ABOUT PERFECT.

IT'S ABOUT
EFFORT AND
WHEN YOU BRING
THAT
EFFORT EVERY
SINGLE DAY.

THAT'S WHERE
TRANSFORMATION
HAPPENS.

THAT'S HOW CHANGE OCCURS.

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## **Convention 2017 • Recap**

The Rural Municipal Administrators' Association of Saskatchewan Executive would like to thank all the members and sponsors who attended the 97th Annual Convention in Saskatoon. There were a total of 292 people attending; 251 administrators, 18 associate members and 23 visitors.

Thank you to all of you who completed the convention survey. Your board takes your concerns seriously and is committed to delivering a Convention of the highest quality. There were a number of concerns brought up regarding the Saskatoon Inn & Conference Centre and we have struck a committee to look into other possible locations for the Saskatoon conventions. There are a number of logistical obstacles that we need to work through in order to change locations.

The Executive Board recognized that the major issues at the Saskatoon Inn & Conference Centre were the reservation system, sound system and that the meeting rooms are cold.

- 1) Reservations—The staff at the Saskatoon Inn & Conference Centre have given us two options for reservations in 2019; status quo with the paper reservation and wait list or an electronic version for reservations. They have promised that they will only be giving confirmation numbers to the reservations that have a room and all others will be put on the wait list.
- 2) The inability to hear the speakers—Freeman Audio Visual Canada is the in house supplier for the sound system and they are willing to work with the RMAA to increase the number of speakers in the room as well as different options when the room is enlarged.
- 3) The temperature in the meeting rooms—the Chief Engineer for the hotel suggests a temperature of 19 degrees Celsius for the beginning of the day. We understand that the ambient temperature in the room is cold, however there are a number of people in suits and others who are naturally warmer that are happy with the temperature in the room. We will try a different temperature in 2019.

The positive aspects of the Saskatoon Inn & Conference Centre are the parking; excellent front desk staff to help you during the check-in and check-out process; and location for those who are not comfortable with city driving.



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