**PLD fund update**

In the 2019 collective agreement negotiation, $12 million over 2 ½ years was given for teacher professional learning and development. This fund is administered by PPTA. There was a negotiation process to determine how that fund should be spent, and in this PPTA was strongly influenced by feedback from members about PLD over the last few years. There are a number of significant proposals within the agreement.

**1. Grant to attend subject association conferences**

Members of PPTA will be able to apply for a grant of up to $700 per year to attend a subject association conference or workshop. We anticipate being able to provide 5000 teachers with this grant per year. It must be applied for after the event, using the form on the PPTA website.

**2. Professional Conference (22-24 April)**

In April PPTA will be holding an education conference. This will have free registration for the first 270 applicants. There will be grants for accommodation and travel available.

**3. Māori Teachers’ Conference (5-7 July)**

As we do each year, PPTA will run the Māori Teachers’ Conference in the July holidays. Details will come through usual pathways once they are available.

**4. Provisionally Certificated Teachers’ Conference (9-10 July)**

This conference is for teachers who are provisionally certificated and are working towards becoming fully certificated. It will cover a number of important topics including rights, induction and mentoring, pedagogy and be a chance to meet other teacher in the same situation. Following on from this we are planning some regional rollouts for PCTS and some regional workshops for mentors. This conference will have free registration, and we are working on trying to subsidise heavily travel and accommodation.

**5. Pasifika Fono (13-14 July)**

As we do biennially, PPTA will run the Pasifika Fono in the July holidays. Details will come through usual pathways once they are available.

**6. Wellbeing Workshops**

These workshops are being run through Worksafe Reps. Details can be found on the PPTA website.

**7. Leadership**

We have two streams of work under leadership. We are bringing a group of members together in September to look at the barriers specifically for women in terms of access to leadership roles in NZ secondary education.

We are also in the very early stages of planning a leadership conference in 2021. This conference will take a broad view of leadership, and include options for people in all leadership roles in schools.