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## LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY 2015 ELECTED OFFICIALS SEMINARS



*2015 EOS delegates participating in the “W’s of Elected Officials” session.*

### EOS Attendance

We concluded the 2015 LGLA Elected Officials Seminar series at the end of February with our last event in Kimberley. The seminars were a great success and we achieved our highest attendance ever, with a total of 721 local government elected officials and staff participating in events throughout the province. This is a significant increase over 2012 EOS attendance, which was 621 in total. An attendance breakdown by event is included below for information.

Small - Richmond		Large - Richmond		Electoral Areas - Richmond		SILGA - Kelowna		AVICC 1&2 - Parksville		NCLGA - Prince George		AKBLG - Kimberley	
NEO	34	NEO	42	NEO	35	NEO	51	NEO	90	NEO	54	NEO	60
REO	29	REO	31	REO	24	REO	39	REO	68	REO	41	REO	69
Staff	3	Staff	--	Staff	12	Staff	6	Staff	6	Staff	17	Staff	10
Total	66	Total	73	Total	71	Total	96	Total	164	Total	112	Total	139

*NEO = Newly Elected Officials; REO = Returning Elected Officials*

### Seminar Ratings

Seminar ratings were generally in the good to excellent (G-E) range, as noted by seminar in the table below. In addition, overall seminar ratings out of 5 were high.

Small - Richmond		Large - Richmond		Electoral Areas - Richmond		SILGA - Kelowna		AVICC 1&2 - Parksville		NCLGA - Prince George		AKBLG - Kimberley	
G-E	85%	G-E	100%	G-E	91%	G-E	98%	G-E	94%	G-E	98%	G-E	91%
4.1/5		4.2/5		4.2/5		4.4/5		4.4/5		4.5/5		4.2/5	

## **Delegate Comments**

Delegates provided a lot of great commentary in their evaluations – some highlights are noted below.

- *Great information, very well informed speakers.*
- *Thanks for this opportunity. I am very grateful for a wonderful opportunity to network and learn.*
- *Overall it was a very helpful and interesting couple of days and will undoubtedly prove to be invaluable over the next four years.*
- *Very worthwhile, even for returning directors.*
- *Quality of presenters was outstanding. Knowledgeable, engaging, highly motivated.*
- *Really good – great mix of formats/speakers/topics.*
- *I am new Councillor. I very much appreciate all the knowledge I gained at this seminar series...it gave me the tools and confidence to do my job.*
- *I have learned so much and I really do feel confident that I can go home and do the job with a firm knowledge of what my role and responsibilities are.*

Suggestions for improvement have been gathered and will be presented for consideration at the April meeting of the LGLA Board. Changes and adjustments will be made to ensure an even better experience at the next round of Elected Officials Seminars four years from now.

## **Resources Available Online**

For those who were unable to attend one of our seminars, we have resources from all of the events uploaded to the LGLA website at <http://lgla.ca/events/2015-eos/>. Audio recordings of the proceedings are among the materials available. Also useful is our “Resources” page at <http://lgla.ca/resources/>, where you’ll find all our materials and presentations organized by subject.

## **LGLA Certification**

And don’t forget, LGLA offers a Level 1 Certificate in Local Government Leadership and a Level 2 Advanced Certificate in Local Government Leadership. If you attended an EOS event, you are already well on your way to earning your certification! See <http://lgla.ca/programs/> for application forms and further details.