

Vaughn Wadelius – Biography



Vaughn retired in 1999 after 37 years in the teaching profession, two in Manitoba Catholic schools and thirty-five in the public school system. A 1962 graduate of the Manitoba Teachers' College, he later completed his B.A., B.Ed., M.Ed. and P.B.Cert.Ed. at the University of Manitoba. During his career he taught in six schools (four as principal) at all levels, his last (1986-1999) as principal of The Pas's Margaret Barbour Collegiate Institute which included an Adult Education Centre and post-secondary distance education components.

His teacher organization service included the provincial executive of the Manitoba Teachers Society (1977-87), serving as MTS Treasurer (1981-83), Vice-President (1983-85), President (1985-86), and a Director of the Canadian Teachers Federation (1984-87). He was awarded a life membership in the MTS in 2000. He participated in international teacher training projects in St. Vincent & the Grenadines (1981, 1982, 1983), India (1982), Thailand (1991, 1993) and Malawi (1999). As a member of the RTAM Board, Vaughn served as webmaster (2002-2007), chaired the Group Benefits Committee (2003-05), and co-chaired the AGM Committee (2007). He served as Vice-President (2003-05), President (2005-06) and Past President (2006-07). In May 2009 he received RTAM's Distinguished Service Award.

Vaughn was an RTAM Observer at ACER-CART (2003, 2004, 2005), is a member of the ACER-CART Communications Committee (2003-09), which he has chaired since 2005, and he manages the web page. He has been ACER-CART Vice-President since 2007. He was elected president of ACER-CART in June 2009.

Vaughn also plays a leadership role in various local community organizations. In 2006 he was elected school trustee in The Pas, MB. He is the school board vice-chair and also chairs its policy and education committees. He represents Manitoba trustees on the Manitoba Education Inter-organizational Curriculum Advisory Committee.