

# 4 Common Ground, Common Purpose. Relationships in School Boards

## **Case Study: The Newly Elected Board Member**

Following the recent elections, the Baxter Board of Education finds itself in the position of having four new school trustees. As a relatively new trustee yourself, you understand the importance of learning about the role of a trustee, the Board culture and becoming a functional member of the team as soon as possible.

You are asked to be part of a sub-committee struck to organize an orientation for new trustees. How will you ensure that the new trustees feel welcome and valued?

What information and activities will you include in the orientation?

Use **Module 4** to help you work through this case study.