

**IT'S OPEN!**



MID-DAKOTA EDUCATION COOPERATIVE  
**WRITING CONFERENCE**  
AUGUST 2-3, 2016  
**CENTRAL CAMPUS HIGH SCHOOL**  
215 1ST ST. SE MINOT, ND

**ALOHA!** Join elementary and secondary educators from all over the state to engage in discussion, collaboration, and strategy adoption—all about WRITING! This two-day conference features expert teacher, author and speaker Jim Burke as well as literacy coach, consultant, and author Kelly Boswell. Participants will also have six opportunities to partake in elementary or secondary writing-specific breakouts OR spend more time with our headliners. Prepare yourselves for the upcoming year by joining us for this event! Visit this link for the most up-to-date conference at-a-glance: <http://tinyurl.com/writingconference2016>

**WHAT:** *First ever MDEC Writing Conference featuring Jim Burke, Kelly Boswell, and other local & regional writing specialists!*

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**FEE:** Early Bird- **\$115** NOW through May 2nd. After May 2nd-July 29 **\$175**

**CREDIT:** One graduate credit will be available for attending both days as well as our Luau Social Tuesday evening packed with refreshments, author signing, and LIVE entertainment.

**REGISTER:** Visit [www.ndmdec.org](http://www.ndmdec.org) "Register NOW" and locate Session ID: 33664

**TRAVEL & LODGING DETAILS:** A block of rooms is reserved for this event at the Sleep Inn & Suites (701-837-3100) and the Holiday Inn Riverside (701-852-2504) through July 15 for the evenings of Aug. 1 and 2nd.

**FEATURING**

## **KELLY BOSWELL**



Kelly Boswell's combined love for children and literacy has fueled a passion to become a lifelong learner and advocate for striving learners. She has taught first, second, and fourth grade during her eighteen years in education; served as a District Literacy Specialist and K-2 Literacy Coach; and currently works as an educational consultant.

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## **JIM BURKE**

**TEACHER. WRITER. SPEAKER.**



Jim Burke is the author of numerous bestselling titles, including the *English Teacher's Companion*, *Fourth Edition* and *What's the Big Idea?* "How can we teach our students better?" He seeks these answers daily through his work in his own classroom at Burlingame High School in California where he still teaches after 20 years. Facing the same challenges as every other teacher, Jim shares his creative solutions in bestselling titles such as *Reading Reminders* & *Writing Reminders* as well as through Professional Development Services.