

2025-2026 Year End Committee Report – Curriculum Committee

Submitted by Kasi Humber, Chair

The mandate of the Curriculum Committee focuses on the study of the Nova Scotia Public School curriculum and any changes proposed to the curriculum, as well as informing members of trends and developments in curriculum.

The Curriculum Committee members for 2025-2026 were: Kasi Humber (Chair), Erica Ans, Melissa Gordon, Darlene Bereta, Kenna MacLean, Lindsay Crossman (Provincial Executive), and Pamela Langille (Staff Liaison). The Committee held three meetings, the first meeting on November 27 and 28, 2025, the second on January 9, 2026, and the third on Friday, March 6, 2026.

The budget for the Curriculum Committee was \$4,700.00 for the 2025-2026 academic year. The committee spent a total of \$5,630.91.

The Committee moved forward in the 2025-2026 academic year focusing on the following business:

- The EECD provided an overview of the recent curriculum renewals and updates heading into the 2025-2026 school year including the Gender-Based Violence outcomes, the ELA/FLA for grade 3-6, the new local industries high school course, and the Stats and Data Science 12 course;
- The Committee met with the Comité de Programmation Acadienne to review and discuss resolutions related to their mandate before making committee recommendations for Annual Council 2026;
- The EECD Safe and Inclusive Schools Branch provided an overview of social emotional learning as it relates to the previous Special Education Policy and Comprehensive School Counselling Guidelines and the Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) and Inclusive Education Policy of today;
- The EECD Learning Opportunities Branch provided an overview of provincial assessments and facilitated an informal focus group with the Committee on the topic of provincial report cards; and
- The EECD Mi'kmaq Services Branch provided an overview of Indigenous Studies within the province.

The Curriculum Committee had great success this year. The guests from the EECD were very informative and receptive to any questions and/or feedback. For the incoming committee, it is recommended that they invite the EECD to present on science and social studies curriculum if that is of interest to the incoming committee.

As Chair, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the committee members for their time and valuable contributions.