

# **NSTU GOVERNANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE**

## **Year End Report 2019 – 2020**

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### **Committee Membership**

The Committee consisted of the following members from the given regions of Nova Scotia:

- Doug Read (Chair) (Chignecto-Central)
- Paul Wozney (NSTU President)
- Mary Currie (APSEA)
- Peter Day (Cape Breton Victoria)
- Angela Deagle (Strait)
- Angela Gillis (Halifax)
- Susanna Haley (Tri-County)
- Ian Kent (South Shore)
- Ian LeBlanc (CSANE)
- Jo-Leigh macPhee (Annapolis Valley)
- Janine Kerr (Executive Director)
- Louis Robitaille (Executive Staff Liaison)

### **Meeting Dates**

The Committee met on the following dates:

- September 27, 2019
- December 6, 2019
- February 21, 2020

### **Summary of Committee Activities**

The following is a list of recommendations forwarded to the Provincial Executive for their review and consideration.

September meeting:

- Amendments to Operational Procedures 4 & 17 – NSTU Staff Hiring Practices
- Amendments to Operational Procedure 7 – Conflict of Interest
- Amendments to Operational Procedure 8 – Election Procedures
- Amendments to Operational Procedure 11 – Policy Procedures
- Amendments to Operational Procedure 16 – Resolutions Procedures
- Amendments to By-Law Article VI – Professional Associations
- Amendments to Policy Section III – Economic Welfare & Working Conditions, 7 – Media Blackouts on Negotiations
- Amendments to Policy Section III – Economic Welfare & Working Conditions, 19 – Teacher Assistants

December meeting:

- Amendments to Operational Procedure 8 – Election Procedures
- Amendments to Policy Section V – Professional Development, 1 – Literacy Education
- Amendments to Policy Section V – Professional Development, 2 – Member Professional Resources
- Amendments to Policy Section V – Professional Development, 3 – NSTU Representation

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- Amendments to Policy Section V – Professional Development, 4 – Professional Development & Collective Bargaining
- Amendments to Policy Section V – Professional Development, 6 – Role of Professional Development
- Rescind Policy Section V – Professional Development, 8 – School-based Staff Development
- Amendments to Policy Section 1 – Governance, 1 – Code of Ethics

February meeting:

- Amendments to Operational Procedures 15 – Regional Representative Council
- Amendments to the Model Constitution and Operational Procedures for Regional Representative Councils
- Proposed a new Policy Section III – Economic Welfare & Working Conditions, Associate Teacher
- Amendments to Operational Procedure 10 – NSTU Locals
- Amendments to Operational Procedure 28 – Benevolent Fund

**Recommendations for Next Year**

The Committee has set redrafting of the model constitutions and model operational procedures for Professional Associations as a priority for the 2020 – 2021 school year.

**Budget**

The Committee budget for 2019 – 2020 was \$4,860 and the Committee spent \$11,734. The overrun of expenses is due to three face-to-face meetings and a larger committee than anticipated.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Doug Read,  
Committee Chair