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Bethany MacLeod appointed NSTU Executive Director

(Halifax-Kjipuktuk, NS) After an extensive and careful search process, Bethany MacLeod has been named as the Executive Director of the Nova Scotia Teachers Union, effective June 9, 2025.

“I am honoured and excited to be joining the NSTU,” says MacLeod. “I look forward to working collaboratively with a dedicated team to continue the great work of advancing the teaching profession and continuing to improve the quality of education for all students. I also want to thank my predecessor, Steve Brooks, for his exceptional leadership during his tenure as NSTU Executive Director.”

MacLeod is replacing outgoing NSTU Executive Director Steve Brooks, who is retiring in June. Brooks has served as NSTU Executive Director since January 2021.

Bethany MacLeod began her career in the classroom after earning a Master’s degree in Education, later spending two decades as a successful business owner. Her passion for teaching led her back to Prince Edward Island, where she resumed her work in education and was subsequently elected President of the PEI Teachers’ Federation (PEITF) in 2015.

MacLeod’s leadership extended nationally through her executive roles with the Canadian Teachers’ Federation (CTF/FCE), where she served as Vice President and made history as the first representative from PEI to be elected President-Designate. In 2019, she was appointed Deputy Minister of Education and Lifelong Learning for the Government of PEI. Following that role, she continued to support education as a Special Projects Consultant at Holland College.

The Nova Scotia Teachers Union represents approximately 10,000 teachers and educational specialists along with teachers who work for the Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority (APSEA) in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. Since 1895, it has worked to improve the quality of public education for children and youth in Nova Scotia, while promoting and advancing the teaching profession.

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