

Comité de programmation acadienne

2013-2014 Annual Report

*The Comité de programmation acadienne meets three times a year. This year, it met on **November 1, 2013, February 24, 2014 and May 10, 2014.***

Members: Gérard Cormier, Nadine Doiron, Nathan Robar, Cécile Theriault, Ian Comeau, Joël Chiasson, Phillip Meuse and Marc Poirier.

Terms of reference

The Comité de programmation acadienne is responsible, under CSAP supervision, for studying programming and all proposed programming changes that affect Acadian educational institutions; submitting its findings and recommendations to the Provincial Executive; informing Acadian members of programming trends and innovations; studying resolutions possibly referred to it by Council and making suitable recommendations; and participating as required in the NSTU policy review process by submitting recommendations for study by the Provincial Executive.

Study and research

Sara Lafrance and **Lennie Comeau** shared a copy of a PowerPoint presentation entitled **Assessments and Examinations in Nova Scotia – How? When? Who? What?** They discussed examination plans, preparation, assessments and results. There were questions regarding follow-up, winning assessments and grading assessments for scholarships. They noted that any questions may be directed to either of them.

The committee reviewed the CTF report and two questions from NSTU on member involvement.

Committee members responded to two points for a CTF report. The first involved a general overview of French-language education in Nova Scotia. The second covered teacher recruiting and retention in Nova Scotia's francophone educational system.

Tanya Comeau, CSAP assessment consultant, made a presentation on assessment methods. She spoke about clearly defined criteria for students and a variety of student assessment tools. Another topic was more feedback to students and fewer grades. A discussion ensued on this issue.

Claire Morin made a presentation on *PowerSchool* and *Tienet*. She explained the procedures for creating adaptations and IPP. She explained that the *PowerSchool* portal blocks parents' access before report cards are issued. *PowerSchool* covers elementary school T1, T2, T3 and secondary school S1, S2. Parents can check their children's attendance through *PowerSchool*. A discussion followed this presentation.

Sophie Pedneault presented a summary of the *Curriculum Committee's* work in 2013-2014. The committee had an opportunity to ask questions.

Budget

The budget for the Committee for was \$5,775 with the actual amount spent being \$7,306.00.