

2020 Adopted Resolutions Work Plan and Assignments

October 2021 Update

Budget Resolution – **no further action required**

Resolutions:

AGM 20-01 BE IT RESOLVED that the SSBA create a working committee to engage member boards in drafting a position statement on Indigenous Education, to be brought to the membership for adoption. (Ted Amendt) **Complete.** Discuss with the Indigenous Council and SSBA Executive and create a working committee. Working committee meets in Spring to draft position statement. The draft position statement is submitted to member boards through the typical position statement feedback processes in 2021. Draft position statement presented to the membership at SSBA 2021 Fall Assembly for adoption. **A working committee has been approved. The committee will meet in Spring 2021. The committee completed the draft Position Statement. It has been submitted to 2021 Fall Assembly for adoption.**

AGM-20-02 WHEREAS Board of Education trustees may choose to enter other areas of politics while serving as a school board trustee, BE IT RESOLVED that the SSBA Executive establish a Working Advisory Group (WAG) to create guidelines for Boards and trustees, and the SSBA Executive to follow so that they can continue to responsibly fulfill obligations and duties in this situation. (Jill Welke) **The Executive Policy Handbook Review Committee (EPHRC) has this on their workplan for 2021 to research and identify best practices to develop a policy for the SSBA Executive and to create guidelines for Boards and Trustees. The SSBA has approved an Executive Policy that was developed by the EPHRC (Fall 2021). The Committee will be developing a process to engage boards to adapt the Executive Policy and provide guidelines for Boards and Trustees.**

AGM-20-03 BE IT RESOLVED that the Saskatchewan School Boards Association engage education sector partners and First Nations and Métis educational authorities, as appropriate, to call on the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Government Relations to review and renew the Local Government Elections Act and Regulations with the intent of creating more opportunities for the election and participation of Indigenous school board trustees. (Darren McKee) **Following up on the letter sent in November 2020 outlining the adopted resolutions, this issue was raised with the Minister of Education on January 26 and October 4, 2021, and with the Minister of Government Relations on October 14, 2021. Further follow-up required.**

AGM-20-04 BE IT RESOLVED that the Saskatchewan School Boards Association work to create a common definition of 'diversity' that all school divisions can use to build their plans for addressing racism and discrimination. (Darren McKee) – Initial research was conducted looking at existing definitions in the sector or related organizations. **This research will be reviewed and considered as part of the development of a Draft Position statement on Inclusion. Boards will be receive the information and be engaged in the process in later 2021 and early 2022.**