

EXECUTIVE AND GOVERNANCE POLICY

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Policy Title: 11.0 Association Position Statements

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BACKGROUND

The purpose of this policy is to deal with matters relating to resolutions and Bylaw amendments presented to the membership and Association policy position statements.

Association position statements address key issues for K-12 education and describe the shared beliefs that direct united action by Boards of Education/Conseil scolaire fransaskois and their Association. Boards of Education/Conseil scolaire fransaskois through their Association develop positions on education issues for the benefit of students and to inform the public.

APPLICATION

This policy applies to the Association's Resolutions and Policy Development Committee, appointed by the President, as per Bylaw.

POLICY STATEMENT

1. Development of Position Statements
 - 1.1. An approved resolution from a General Assembly or the Executive may identify the need for the development of a statement of position.
 - 1.2. The Executive will establish a working committee to gather information consult the membership and draft the statement of position.
 - 1.3. The draft statement will be circulated to all member Boards for input.
 - 1.4. Position statements will be considered and voted on at a General Assembly under the sponsorship of the Executive. A vote of not less than two-thirds of the votes cast is required for adoption of a position statement.
 - 1.5. The Executive may adopt an interim position on any matter under which to operate until an approved statement of position is adopted by the membership.
2. Executive Review of Position Statements
 - 2.1. Any position statement may be reviewed by the executive and those statements deemed to require further review will be referred to the Resolutions and Policy Development Committee.
 - 2.2. The Executive will report on its annual review of Position Statements.
 - 2.3. The Executive will determine if an interim position statement is required; and/or if the matter is to be referred to the Resolutions and Policy Development Committee.
3. Membership Review of Position Statements
 - 3.1. Each position statement will be reviewed on a five-year cycle; however, a position may be reviewed at any time upon the direction of the Executive.
 - 3.2. A position will be reviewed when a resolution at a General Assembly is adopted which is inconsistent with the current position.

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- 3.3. Member Boards may prepare draft interim position statement and rationale on emerging issues.

REFERENCES

SSBA Bylaws