

Teachers with Administrative Responsibilities Committee

Nova Scotia Teachers Union

Annual Report

2011 – 2012

Mandate

The mandate of the Teachers with Administrative Responsibilities (TWAR) Committee is to provide a voice for teachers in administrative positions. The committee reports to, and makes recommendations to, the Provincial Executive on matters affecting teachers with administrative responsibilities through various provincial committees. In addition, the committee considers resolutions for Annual Council and makes appropriate recommendations. The TWAR Committee has a close working relationship with the School Administrators Association (SAA).

Committee Membership

Arnold Burke

Debbie Davis-Maybee

Shelley Morse

Mike Stewart

Dawn Smith (Committee Chair)

Vince Gillis (Provincial Executive)

Chris Nicholson (SAA Representative)

Danny Eddy (NSTU Staff Officer)

Meeting Dates

The TWAR Committee held meetings on the following dates:

November 25, 2011

February 3, 2012 (Joint meeting with SAA)

May 6, 2012

Budget

The budget for the committee was \$5775. The actual expenses for the committee to conduct business were \$7232.42.

Activities and Accomplishments

- Nominated and elected in a secret ballot vote TWAR Committee Member, Arnold Burke, to serve on the Provincial Economic Welfare Committee (PEWC).

- Submitted seven (7) recommendations to the PEW Committee; specifically
 - Schedule E3 – Recognition of Non-NSTU Members, Department Head or System Consultant, Vice Principals
 - Article 25.13
 - Article 43.03
 - Article 44.12
 - Article 46.06
- Participated in a meeting with members of the provincial SAA Executive.
- TWAR reviewed Annual Council Resolutions pertaining to school administrators; specifically 2012-16, 2012-18, 2012-72, 2012-73, 2012-100.

Other

Topics discussed and reviewed by the TWAR Committee include the following:

- Accreditation
- Administrative Stipends
- C.A.P. Research Study
- Challenges and Opportunities
- Fire Marshall Regulations/Firebox/Checklist
- “Kids not Cuts” Campaign/Budgetary Cuts to Education
- Power School/SIS/TieNet
- Principals in Focus
- Regional Contracts
- “Take Your MLA” to work

Summation

Upon completion of their term, the TWAR Committee wishes to thank Arnold Burke and Dawn Smith for their commitment to the committee. The committee is most appreciative of Executive Staff Officer, Danny Eddy, for his assistance and guidance at our meetings.

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Smith (Chair TWAR 2011-2012)