STANDING RESOLUTIONS

Amended January 2019
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Standing Committees

1. General Meeting Standing Committees

   a. Standing Committees
      At each annual general meeting the following committees shall be struck:
      i. Budget, Bylaws, and Services Committee; and

   b. Committee Composition
      Each member local shall have one vote at each general meeting standing committee.

   c. Committee Terms of Reference
      The terms of reference for annual general meeting standing committees shall be as follows:
      i. Budget Bylaws, and Services Committee.
         The Budget, Bylaws, and Services Committee shall:
         1. develop a draft budget for the upcoming fiscal year for submission to the closing plenary of the semiannual general meeting;
         2. review and make recommendations to the closing plenary on proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws, Standing Resolutions and Operations Policy.
         3. review and make recommendations to closing plenary on the services of the Federation.
         The Campaigns, Government Relations, and Policy Review and Development Committee shall:
         1. make general recommendations concerning the implementation of campaigns and government relations;
         2. review and make recommendations to closing plenary on proposed amendments to the issues policy of the Federation.

   d. Committee Chairperson
      As its first order of business each standing general meeting committee shall either:
      i. ratify as the committee chairperson(s) the National Executive member(s) appointed to the committee; or
      ii. elect a committee chairperson from within its membership.

   e. Submission of Reports
      Each general meeting committee will prepare and submit a report containing its recommendations to the final plenary for consideration.
f. Distribution and Presentation of Outstanding Reports

All committee reports, not presented in full at a given general meeting due to lack of time, natural disaster or other event beyond human control, shall be:

i. distributed to the member local associations not less than four (4) weeks prior to the next regularly scheduled national general meeting; and

ii. presented in the opening plenary of the next regularly scheduled annual general meeting prior to any new business.
Standing Resolution II

Constituency Groups

1. **General Meeting Constituency Groups**
   a. **Constituency Groups**
      At each annual general meeting the following constituencies shall meet:
      i. Indigenous Students Constituency Group
      ii. Racialised Student Constituency Group
      iii. Women’s Constituency Group
   
   b. **Membership**
      i. Membership of the Indigenous Students Constituency Group shall include all Indigenous students who are delegates of member associations at annual general meetings, and choose to be members. This membership shall participate and vote at all meetings of the constituency group. Subject to ratification by the Constituency Group, the Constituency Group may also include Indigenous students who are non-delegate representatives of member or non-member associations.
      
      ii. Membership of the Racialised Students Constituency Group shall include all racialised students who are delegates of member associations at annual general meetings, and choose to be members. This membership shall participate and vote at all meetings of the constituency group. Subject to ratification by the Constituency Group, the Constituency Group may also include racialised students who are non-delegate representatives of member or non-member associations.
      
      iii. Membership of the Women’s Constituency Group shall include all women who are delegates of member associations at annual general meetings, and choose to be members. This membership shall participate and vote at all meetings of the constituency group. Subject to ratification by the Constituency Group, the Constituency Group may also include students who identify as women and are non-delegate representatives of member or non-member associations.
   
   c. **Reports**
      Each general meeting constituency group will select a member to deliver a brief oral report of their meeting to closing plenary.
Standing Resolution III
Land Recognition

1. Policy to recognize traditional territory

   a. In all written materials, CFS-NS will refer to the following place names as such:
      
      "Halifax" as "K'jipuktuk (Halifax)."
      
      "Cape Breton" as "Unama'ki (Cape Breton)."
      
      "Sydney" as "Kjikank (Sydney)."
      
      "Mi'kmaq territory" as "Mi'kma'ki (Mi'kmaq territory)."

   b. CFS-NS will make an effort to use Mi'kmaq wherever possible when mentioning Mi'kma'ki place names, and to make the same effort in acknowledging Indigenous language place names when referring to other territories; both in written and oral use.