

Constitution
of the
Nova Central School Board

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PREAMBLE - Source of Authority and Purpose

WHEREAS by an Order of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, dated the 25th day of August, 2004, to create a new school district, District #3 - Central Newfoundland, to come into force on the 1st day of September, 2004;

WHEREAS by an Order of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, dated the 25th day of August, 2004, to dissolve the school boards for School District 5 and School District 6 and to create a successor school board for District #3 - Central Newfoundland to come into force on the 1st day of September, 2004; and

WHEREAS under Section 60 of the Schools Act, 1997, a School Board is required, subject to the approval of the Minister of Education to prescribe and adopt its Constitution.

NOW THEREFORE the School Board for District #3 – Nova Central School Board, in a meeting duly assembled on the 22nd day of February 2005, hereby adopts the following **amended** Constitution of the said Board.

ARTICLE I - Name

The official name of District #3 - Central Newfoundland is Nova Central School District, and in this Constitution the school board for the Nova Central School District shall be referred to as "the Board".

ARTICLE II - Boundaries

The Nova Central School District includes the area bounded by a line commencing at The Beaches, exclusive, and extending in a northerly and easterly direction around the coast to Charlottetown, Bonavista Bay, inclusive and then in a southwesterly direction to Port Blandford, exclusive, and then to Rencontre East, inclusive, and then in a westerly direction around the coast to Francois, exclusive, and then in a northerly direction along the border of District 2 to the point of commencement.

ARTICLE III - Electoral Zones and Board Membership

The Board shall consist of fifteen (15) members, elected or appointed in accordance to the provisions of the *Schools Act* 1997 and pursuant to related election regulations.

The district will be subdivided into eleven (11) electoral zones, each composed of the following communities and represented by the number of trustees which is determined based on the student enrolment, number of schools in the zone, geography, and community populations:

- Zone #1** All communities on the Baie Verte Peninsula
- Zone #2** All communities from Sheppardville to Rattling Brook to Harry's Harbour to Beachside to Little Bay Islands to Miles Cove to Beaumont to Brighton, inclusive
- Zone #3** All communities from Buchans to Grand Falls-Windsor, inclusive
- Zone #4** All communities from Bishop's Falls to Peterview to Leading Tickles to Fortune Harbour, inclusive
- Zone #5** All communities on the Connaigre Peninsula from St. Alban's to Morrisville to Rencontre East to Gaultois to McCallum, inclusive
- Zone #6** All communities from Norris Arm to Laurenceton to Little Burnt Bay to Comfort Cove to Baytona to Birchy Bay, inclusive
- Zone #7** All communities on Twillingate Island and New World Island to Boyd's Cove, inclusive
- Zone #8** All communities on Fogo Island and Change Islands to Port Albert to Horwood to Gander Bay South to Frederickton to Aspen Cove to Ladle Cove to Musgrave Harbour, inclusive
- Zone #9** All communities from Deadmann's Bay to Cape Freels to Pool's Island to Greenspond to Hare Bay, inclusive
- Zone #10** All communities from Gambo to Glovertown to Charlottetown, inclusive, and all communities on the Eastport Peninsula, and St Brendan's Island
- Zone #11** All communities from Benton to Glenwood, inclusive

ARTICLE IV – Responsibilities of the Board

The Board shall be responsible for the implementation of educational services and the curriculum prescribed by the Department of Education for all students under the jurisdiction of the Board. The Board will carry out this responsibility using the highest standards of practice. The Board shall comply with the duties and responsibilities outlined in the *Schools Act*, 1997 and regulations, and any other related legislation.

ARTICLE V - Term of Office

The election of a school board shall typically occur every four years on the provincial date for municipal elections and in compliance with regulations approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

ARTICLE VI - Officers of the Board

The officers of the Board shall be elected by the members of the Board at its annual meeting and shall include the following:

- a) Chairperson;
- b) Vice Chairperson; and
- c) three board members-at-large.

Duties of the officers of the board, any additional duties specified in the *Schools Act* 1997, shall be outlined in by-laws and policies of the board.

ARTICLE VII - Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the board and shall carry out its responsibilities in a manner and scope as stated in section 60 of the *School's Act*, 1997 and in compliance with conditions outlined in the by-laws of the board.

ARTICLE VIII - Board Committees

The Board shall establish an Executive Committee, a Policy Committee, a Board Development Committee, and a Finance and Property Committee, a Communications Committee, appoint representation to the School Board-Teacher Liaison Committee, as per the NLTA collective agreement, and establish ad hoc committees to fulfil the mandates set by the board.

ARTICLE IX - Annual Meeting

The board shall set the date of the annual general meeting in the June meeting and that meeting shall not be held later than November 30.

ARTICLE X - Amendments to the Constitution

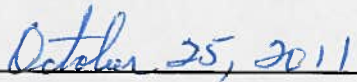
Proposed amendments to the Constitution shall first be given as a "notice of motion" at a regular meeting of the Board for consideration at a subsequent regular meeting. All amendments to the Constitution must receive the approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the current membership of the Board. This Constitution and amendments thereto shall be subject to the approval of the Minister of Education.

Date of Board Approval:

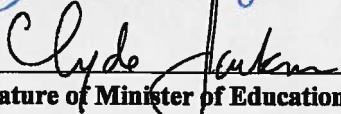
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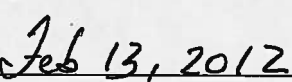
Signature of Board Chair



Date



Signature of Minister of Education



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