



NOVA SCOTIA
FEDERATION OF
MUNICIPALITIES

Motion to amend the NSFM By-laws #1: Motion to establish Municipal Units as Members of NSFM

Be it resolved that NSFM recognize Municipal Units as the Members of NSFM by making the following changes to the by-laws.

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DEFINITIONS

“Members’ Meetings” includes Annual Conferences and Special Meetings of the Federation;

“Municipal Unit” means a regional municipality, incorporated town, a municipality of a county, or a municipality of a district;

ARTICLE 3 – MEMBERSHIP/CAUCUSES

3.2 Fees

- a) A Member Unit must shall pay the annual membership fee and upon payment it ~~they~~ becomes or remains a Member Unit~~s~~.
- b) Membership fees payable by Member Units shall from time to time be fixed by resolution of the Board.

3.6 Rights of Members

- a) ~~—~~ A Member Unit
- ab) must be sent receive notice of Mmembers’ Mmeetings by email to the Member Unit’s Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) or Clerk; ~~and~~

- b) may send ~~an~~ Elected Municipal Officials from their municipal council to attend ~~m~~Members' ~~m~~Meetings, ~~where they are voting delegates and may speak and vote on behalf of the Member Unit;~~
- c) may send municipal staff to Members' Meetings as advisors to Elected Municipal Officials ~~to members meetings unless the meeting is designated by the President or CEO to be open to Elected Municipal Officials only;~~ ~~Staff advisors shall not have voting rights but shall be entitled to speak at such meetings.~~

3.7 Elected Municipal Officials

- a) Every Elected Municipal Official may:
 - ai.) may attend any mMembers' mMeeting of the Federation held pursuant to Art. 6.2 and 6.35 unless the meeting is designated by the President or CEO to be open to Mayors and Wardens only;
 - ei.) shall be eligible for appointment to the Board in accordance with these by-laws and the Federation's "Elections Policy" be elected as an officer under Art. 4.1.
- b) An Elected Municipal Official but may shall not be paid by or receive any personal benefit from the Federation, other than ~~for~~ reimbursements of expenses, stipends, or a per diem allowances authorized by the Federation's "Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy" ~~when serving on the Board or a committee.~~
- c) Only Elected Municipal Officials are eligible for election to the Board.

3.8 — No Transfer of Rights

~~Rights of an Elected Municipal Official Municipal Unit to the Federation are not transferable.~~

3.9 — Membership Shall Cease

~~An Elected Municipal Official membership shall cease:~~

- a) ~~upon death, or~~
- b) ~~if the Member Unit resigns by written notice to the Federation, or~~
- c) ~~if, by a vote of the majority of the members of the Federation or a majority vote of the Directors of the Federation at a meeting duly called and for which notice of the proposed action has been given, the Elected Municipal Official credentials to the Federation have been terminated.~~

ARTICLE 5 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5.3 Elections

~~b) Elected Municipal officials may be nominated for membership on the Board by any member.~~

ARTICLE 6 – Meetings

6.2 Annual Conference

~~d) Every Member Unit may send delegates to the Annual Conference, the caucus meeting of units representing that classification of Member Unit, or any special meeting of the Federation.~~

Renumber all subsections and references accordingly.