

KAWARTHA PINE RIDGE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

POLICY STATEMENT

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The Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board recognizes the benefits which accrue when students are involved fully in the planning of their education, and this is especially true in the process of decision making. To enable students to participate in a manner, two positions of Student Trustee have been established. Student Trustees shall sit at the Board table in open meetings and committee meetings, and may, where appropriate, attend in a meeting.

It is expected that students who serve as Student Trustees will bring student perspectives directly to the Board, will develop as leaders, and will assist the Board in achieving a better understanding of educational issues among students.

1. Role and Responsibilities of Student Trustees

1.1 Student Trustees are expected to attend all open sessions of Board meetings.

1.1.1 Incidents of irregular attendance, including but not limited to missing three consecutive Board meetings, shall be submitted by the Chairperson

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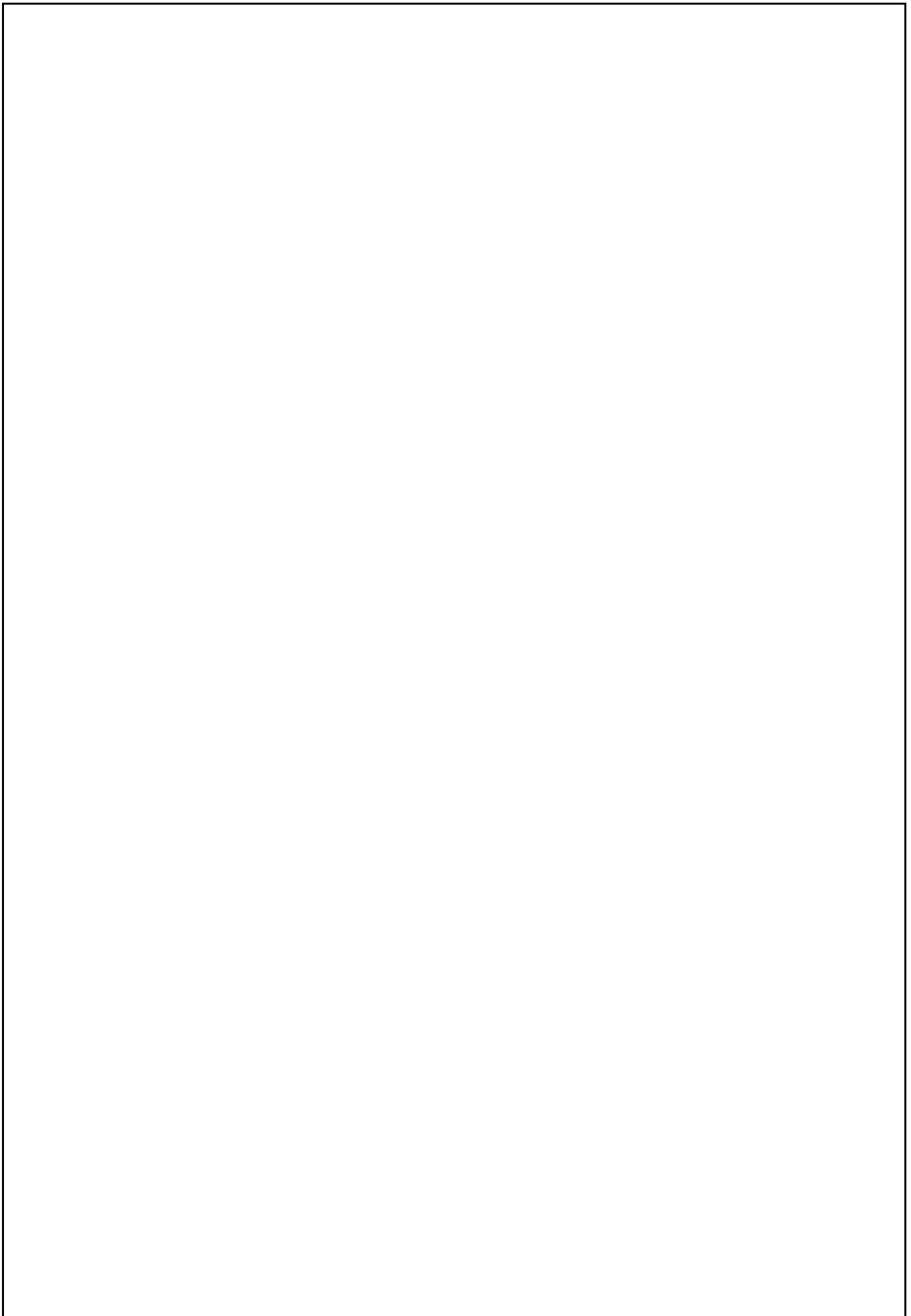
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- 1.2.1 Student Trustees will have the right to participate in discussions at all open and incamera session meetings of Board and committees, with the following exception:
Student Trustees are not permitted to attend incamera sessions of either the Board or Board committee meetings when the subject matter under consideration involves the disclosure of intimate, personal financial information in respect of a member of the Board or committee, an employee or prospective employee of the Board or a pupil or her parent or guardian.
- 1.2.2 Student Trustees are not entitled to move a motion, but are entitled to suggest a motion on any matter at a Board or committee meeting on which the Student Trustee sits. If no member of the Board or committee, as the case may be, moves the suggested motion, the record shall show the suggested motion.
- 1.2.3 Student Trustees are not Board members and therefore not entitled to a binding vote.
- 1.2.4 A Student Trustee has the right to have their binding vote recorded in the Board Minutes if she or he requests it.
- 1.2.5 A Student Trustee may request that a matter before the Board or its committees be put to a vote, in which case there must be two votes:
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4.3.1.1 Student Trustees as well as a representative of the Student Leadership Group, as determined by the Student Leadership Group, may be present and make submissions at ~~the~~ a session of the Board.

4.3.2 A decision of the Board to remove ~~a~~ Student Trustee shall be made on a two-thirds majority vote.

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5.2.1.1 Students would be responsible to the committee chairperson and would be expected to attend committee meetings regularly.

5.2.1.2 The student shall notify the office of the committee administrative resource person if the student is unable to attend a meeting.

5.2.1.3 The student will not count for quorum.

5.2.1.4 In the case of irregular attendance or any breach of conduct, the committee chairperson will refer the matter to the Student Leadership Group.

6. Student Trustee Resources

6.1 The Vicechairperson of the Board, or designate, will act as a Student Trustee Mentor to Student Trustee

6.1.1 The designation of Student Trustee Mentor shall be made by the Chairperson of the Board in consultation with the Student Trustee, the Trustee being considered, and the Director of Education.

6.1.2 Existing Student Trustee will be asked to play a role in orientating the in-coming Student Trustee representative to the Board.

6.2 Once elected, the Board will provide Student Trustee with an orientation package.

6.2.1 The Board will provide Student Trustee with a resource list of federation and union representatives, senior administration, Trustees and representatives of non-union groups.

6.3 The Board shall reimburse Student Trustee expenses while on approved Board business in accordance with Board policy.

6.4 The Board will provide Student Trustee with reasonable access to resources for the purpose of fulfilling the duties, including a computer, a cell phone, -wide and email.

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7. Recognition for Student Trustees

Student Trustees will receive an honorarium based on Ministry funding for the term August 1 to July 31. If a Student Trustee does not serve for a full term, then the amount is prorated. A Student Trustee may earn up to two independent study credits.

- 7.1 A Student Leadership Group advisor shall monitor the position and make a recommendation to the principal of the school the student attends.

The Board will provide documentation to the Student Trustee, and the student home school, referencing the Student Trustee contributions.

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