

Workplan – Political Action Working Group

Purpose

To strengthen member engagement in political advocacy and enhance HSAA's influence in shaping public policy.

Objective

To help shape HSAA's new Constituency Liaison Program and advise on lobbying efforts.

Key Duties and Responsibilities

- Provide advice and direction on strategies and activities that will increase members' confidence and capacity to participate in MLA meetings, letter-writing campaigns, rallies, pickets, and other collective actions
- Advise and participate on the theme, design and logistics of the annual provincial lobby day
- Develop a Constituency Liaison Program that connects members with their local elected officials
- Identify gaps and opportunities to increase members' confidence and capacity to participate in rallies, pickets, and other collective actions
- Identify action and content for rallies, info-pickets, and lobbying efforts at the municipal, provincial, national levels
- Advise on provincial and national lobby days to ensure HSAA's voice is heard on the issues that matter most to our members

Composition

The Working Group is composed of:

- One (1) Executive Officer (Chairperson)
- Two (2) Board Members.
- Up to Seven (7) members-at-large
 - One member-at-large who is Indigenous*
 - One (1) member-at-large who identifies as a member of an equity- deserving community listed on the application form*

*Should no member apply for this position, it shall remain vacant. The Chair may make a motion to the Board for a mid-term appointment should a member-at-large become known after the initial selection process.

Staff Support

- Administrative support
- Other staff as assigned

Term

The term of the Working Group will be January 1, 2026, to September 30, 2027.

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- Other staff as assigned

Reporting

Minutes and recommendations will be submitted to the Board.

Meetings

Up to 10 meetings.