



The Process of Writing Resolutions

Resolutions are one of the most powerful tools available to Home and School Associations. They are Home and School's superpower for creating meaningful change in education by giving local groups a direct voice in shaping provincial priorities. The resolutions process provides a pathway for concerns, ideas, and opportunities identified within local school communities

to be elevated to provincial advocacy, helping inform and influence education policies, programs, and decisions that impact students across Prince Edward Island. More than simply raising issues, resolutions empower associations to participate in real decision-making and help drive positive improvements throughout the education system.

What makes a Resolution?

Issues that affect students and schools across the province, not just a specific school or area. They can relate to policy or practice matters. They should provide context and make concrete requests for change.

The Anatomy of a Resolution:

Set the scene with one or more "WHEREAS" sections. Include facts and arguments.

Make the "ask" with one or more "BE IT RESOLVED" statements.

Be concise and clear; hundreds of parents, educators, and decision-makers need to understand your intent.

The Resolutions Committee

A committee of the PEIHSF Board of Directors reviews the proposed resolutions and helps to finalize wording, where required. They ensure the issue is current and decide whether or not the resolution can move forward to the Annual Meeting for all members' review and decision.

Resolutions in Action

Approved resolutions will be presented at the Annual Meeting and are forwarded to the designated departments (e.g., Education Minister) for reply. Replies are posted on the PEIHSF's website. The resolution becomes PEIHSF policy.

Support:

We know that writing resolutions is not your every-day business and we are here to support you.

There are examples of past resolutions on PEIHSF.ca. Shirley Jay, Executive Director can help with writing and fine-tuning resolutions. PEIHSF provincial board members are also available to support your local Home and School.

Home and School: _____

Contact's name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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