Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Board Standing Committee 2022-2023 Annual Report

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Mandate

As per Section 19 of the *Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Act* the Standing Committee shall;

- Provide advice to the Minister on how to best ensure the equality of the French linguistic community within the areas of responsibility of the Minister and the Director
- Provide advice to the Board on how to best ensure the equality of the French linguistic community within the areas of responsibility of the board, and
- Monitor the response to the advice referred to above

Board membership

At present, the Standing Committee does not have active members. Despite our efforts to fill these positions, there has been limited interest. Consequently, no advice was extended to the Minister and the Board, and no actions were taken in the 2022-23 period. We are actively working on establishing a new Standing Committee and identifying potential members.

Legislation, bylaws, and policies

The Board is governed by the *Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Act* and associated regulations, bylaws, and policy:

REGULATION 2014-1345 WAGES: Provides a standard minimum wage rate an apprentice should receive in part with the *Employment Standards Act*.

REGULATION 2014-133 COMPULSORY OCCUPATIONS: Prescribes compulsory occupations in New Brunswick along with a description of the tasks, activities, and functions of the occupation.

REGULATION 2013-52 PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF ORDERS: Provides direction on posting Board decisions in the Royal Gazette.

REGULATION 2012-67 FEES: Lists all fees associated with Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification, including registration and examination.

GENERAL BY-LAWS: Outlines the committee's duties and powers, including guidelines for conflict of interest and reporting.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY: Requires all committee members to disclose any potential conflicts of interest in writing and to recuse themselves from decision-making when necessary and addresses the disclosure and management of conflicts of interest when they arise.