

Provincial Articles Housekeeping Committee

❖ Overview

Representatives of the BCTF and BCPSEA will review the common provincial articles and letters of understanding or intent in the previous collective agreement, to determine appropriate changes.

❖ Letter of Understanding No. 7 Re: Provincial Articles Housekeeping Committee

- 1. The parties agree to establish a housekeeping committee to address the updating and consistency of terms in existing common Provincial Articles.*
- 2. The committee shall meet as soon as possible and shall conclude its work no later than September 30, 2006.*
- 3. The agreed housekeeping changes shall be implemented with the next printing of the Provincial Collective Agreement and working documents.*

❖ Explanation

The Provincial Articles Housekeeping Committee will include representatives from the BCTF and BCPSEA. The mandate of the committee is to review the common provincial articles, letters of understanding, and letters of intent in the previous collective agreement, and to update any outdated references, processes or other matters that are considered to be necessary and appropriate. The committee will build on the previous changes that the parties agreed to and will include the appropriate numbering of the new provincial articles and letters of understanding or intent.

The housekeeping committee was expected to have met and completed its task no later than September 30, 2006. The committee had a delayed start and at the time of writing this manual was in the process of completing the assigned tasks.

❖ Implementation

Once the BCTF and BCPSEA have reached agreement on the necessary amendments, the agreed changes will be incorporated into the provincial collective agreement and are to be included in the next printing of the working documents for each district.

❖ Relationship to Other Articles

The local and the district may update other provisions in their local working documents, consistent with Letter of Understanding No. 8 Re: Updating the Provincial Collective Agreement Mid-Contract Modification Process. However, they are not permitted to amend the provincial articles in any way, since the common provincial articles are within the sole jurisdiction of the provincial parties. BCPSEA will provide language to districts on the correct interface between previous local provisions and the common provincial articles. Prior to entering discussions with the local on this matter, districts should contact their BCPSEA liaison for assistance.