MEMBERSHIP IN ONTARIO PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARDS’ ASSOCIATION

Legal References:  
- Education Act 191.2(3) – Other Expenses (Board Members)  
- Board Policy 3003 – Trustee Professional Development Expenses  
- OPSBA Constitution and Bylaws

Related References:  
- Board Policy 3003 – Trustee Professional Development Expenses

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1. Preamble

1.1 The Waterloo Region District School Board (WRDSB) recognizes the inherent value in maintaining a positive relationship with other public district school boards throughout the Province of Ontario through membership in the Ontario Public School Boards’ Association.

2. Membership Renewal

2.1 Membership in the Ontario Public School Boards’ Association (OPSBA) will be renewed annually in conjunction with the development of the WRDSB operating budget. At that time, Policy 3007 (Membership in OPSBA) will also be reviewed.

3. Annual Appointments/Nominations

3.1 In accordance with OPSBA’s bylaws, appointments to the following positions must be approved by the Board of Trustees annually prior to OPSBA’s Annual General Meeting:
   - Voting Delegate and Alternate for the OPSBA Annual General Meeting;
   - Director and Alternate Director on the OPSBA Board of Directors.

3.2 In conjunction with the above appointments, the Board of Trustees may also nominate one of their members for the following positions:
   - Executive Officers - President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President (any trustee from a member board is eligible for nomination);
   - Regional Chair - Central West Region (any trustee from a member board in the Central West Region is eligible for nomination);
   - Regional Vice-Chair - Central West Region (any trustee who is appointed by a district school board to the OPSBA Board of Directors is eligible for nomination);
   - Regional Appointment to Core Issue Work Groups.

4. OPSBA Expenses

4.1 Expenses related to attendance at OPSBA events are governed by Board Policy 3003 – Trustee Professional Development Expenses.