

TESL CANADA BOARD – COMMITTEES

Terms of Reference

Start Date: December 2020

Finish Date: December 2021

Committee Name: **Standards Committee**

Chair: Dmitri Priven (ON)

Members: Scott Poole (Board, MB)
Wendy Chambers (Board, AB)
Don Moen (Board, ON)
Vicki Schoch (Board, SK)
Paula Kristmanson (Board, NB; ex-officio)
Dianne Tyers (non-Board, ON)
Karen Densky (non-Board, BC)

Membership:

- Members of the Standards Committee will be appointed for a one-year term with the option to renew, from the TESL Canada Board and TESL Canada membership.
- Non-Board members can sit on the Standards Committee for up to three years.
- Experience with professional standards at the provincial or national level will be considered an asset in determining membership eligibility.
- The committee will consist of 3-8 voting members including up to 2 non-board members recommended by board members. Non-board members will submit an up-to-date CV and a statement how their expertise could potentially serve the committee.
- Every effort will be made to ensure fair representation of Canada's provinces and territories.

Mandate:

To ensure that the national standards for professional certification and teacher training program recognition are up-to-date and adhered to.

Goals and/or Objectives

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- To advise TESL Canada on new developments with regards to standards for language instructors and training programs
- To facilitate communication and collaboration with provincial and territorial accreditation bodies and professional associations on developing, aligning, and maintaining said standards
- To advise TESL Canada in conflict resolution and appeals from members and prospective members
- To assist with the adjudication process for prospective members and training programs

Communication

Meetings will be conducted via a web-conferencing platform or email on an ad-hoc basis to complete the above tasks.