



## CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS 2010

### Why Propose a Resolution for Change?

Every year, parents serving on school councils discuss educational issues they want to see addressed by the government. They record these ideas in "*statements of intent*" by submitting a resolution for change. Proposed resolutions are reviewed by Manitoba Association of Parent Councils' (MAPC) membership and voted on at our Annual General Meeting. If passed, these resolutions become part of MAPC policy. New policies are submitted to the Minister of Education, Citizenship and Youth for review and used to promote our position with other decision makers in Manitoba's education system.

### Who May Submit a Resolution?

1. Any current MAPC member in good standing (*as per MAPC constitution item 2.4 (c)*)
2. MAPC Board of Directors

### How Does My Group Prepare a Resolution?

1. Choose an issue affecting students in Manitoba that you believe should be changed.
2. Discuss the issue with your Parent Council to ensure support.
3. Follow the format on the "*Simplified Resolution Format*" page on the back of this form.
4. Include thorough and accurate background information.
5. Use easy to understand wording for clear and concise meaning.

*MAPC deals with Parent Councils' resolutions only.*

### What's Next...

1. February 19, 2010: Draft resolutions must be submitted to the MAPC office.
2. March 2010: Each relevant proposed resolution is included in the Annual Book of Reports and distributed to members in good standing for discussion at the MAPC Annual General Meeting on April 23, 2010.
3. Pre-AGM: At your Parent Group meeting, review the Annual Book of Reports and discuss how your group wants to vote on each proposed resolution at the Annual General Meeting.
4. April 23, 2010: Attend the MAPC Annual General Meeting as the voting delegate for your Parent Group.

*If no one can attend from your Parent Group, please use your proxy vote to make your vote count.  
(See the "What are Credentials and Proxies?" brochure).*

# Resolution Format

1. **Title of the Proposed Resolution** (Identify the main ISSUE)

*Example: Proper Use of Technology*

2. **Background** (Provide INFORMATION leading up to the reason for your proposal)

*Example: The use of technology can assist in the instructional process. Parents generally support the use of computers as a teaching aid in Manitoba classrooms and also understand the value of interaction between teachers and students. Technology can be used to enhance and support the teaching and learning process.*

3. **Introduction Statement** (Tell why this NEEDS to be addressed)

*Example: Because new technologies continue to change traditional instruction situations and because parents want to ensure that valuable teacher/student interaction is maintained.*

4. **Action Requests** (Describe what ACTION needs to be taken, by whom, where, and when.)

*Example: We request that Manitoba Education and other provincial stakeholders take steps to ensure that computers not be used as a substitute for teachers in the classroom.*

*Submitted by (Name of Parent Advisory Group):* \_\_\_\_\_

*Contact Name:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Phone Number:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Email:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Signature:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return to the MAPC office by February 19, 2010*

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