

Policy Committee

The purpose, duties and responsibilities of the Policy Committee (the “Committee”) is to assist the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities with regard to, including, but not limited to identifying policy additions and changes affecting the industry, advocacy, stakeholder engagement, grassroots development, government relations, and other matter relevant to the Association (collectively “Policy Matters”).

The Committee will assist the Association in:

- a) Setting the mission/priorities relating to Policy Matters and submit to the board
- b) Developing, implementing, and monitoring initiatives and policies on that strategy,
- c) Overseeing communications with members, stakeholders, and others with respect to Policy Matters, and
- d) Monitoring and assessing developments relating to, and improving the Association’s understanding of Policy Matters

The mission/priorities of the Policy Committee, to be set bi-annually:

1. Markup
2. New Beer Standard
3. Red Tape Reduction
4. Election Activations - Advocacy at the brewery level

Alberta Small Brewers Association Policy Committee Terms of Reference

Note: Capitalized terms not defined herein are defined in the [Association’s By-laws]

OBJECTIVE

The Policy Committee (the “Committee”) is a standing committee of the Alberta Small Brewers Association (the “Association”) Board of Directors (the “Board”).

The objective of the Committee is to assist the Board in meeting its responsibilities by ensuring the adequacy and effectiveness of the Association’s government relations, advocacy and policy initiatives.

CONSTITUTION

The Committee is comprised of a minimum of [four (4) Members], including not less than [one (1) Directors] and the Executive Director of the Association (the “Executive Director”) who serves as ex-officio non-voting member.

The Board, or in the event of its failure to do so, the Committee, shall appoint a Chair from among the Committee members (the “Chair”). The Chair must be a member of the Board.

The Chair presiding at any meeting of the Committee shall have a vote in all matters considered by the Committee. In the event of a tie the motion is defeated. If the Chair is not present at any meeting of the Committee, the Chair of the meeting shall be chosen by the Committee from among the members present.

The Chair has the authority to exclude the Executive Director from any meeting deliberations as they deem appropriate.

The Committee shall appoint a Secretary from the Committee members. If the Secretary is not present at any meeting of the Committee, the Secretary shall be chosen by the Committee from among the members present.

The Committee shall assist with deliberations required for the fulfillment of the Board’s mandate and those specific responsibilities and duties assigned to the Committee; however, unless specifically stated otherwise, the Committee shall act in advisory capacity only, recommending decisions to the Board for approval.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Committee shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

Risk:

Recommend to the Board for approval of a Risk Management Policy.

Maintain a general understanding of the types of risks to which the Association is exposed and the techniques used to measure and manage those risks.

Monitor risk management within the Association by requiring from management timely identification and accurate reporting on key risk areas faced by the organization.

General Governance:

Review annually and report to the ESG Committee on the adequacy of the Committee’s Terms of Reference.

MEETINGS

Committee shall meet a minimum of [four (4) times a year].

A meeting of the Committee may be called by the Chair of the Committee, the Chair of the Board, or Executive Director or by [any two (2) members of the Committee.]

A quorum for meetings shall be the majority of Committee members. They shall be present in person or by telephone or other telecommunications device that permits all persons participating in the meeting to speak and hear one another.

At least [four (4) days' notice] will be given before the meeting in writing, by email or by facsimile communication to each member of the Committee.

Agenda's and associated materials to each member of the Committee will be given at least [one (1) day] in advance of the meeting.

The Committee shall have the right to determine who shall and shall not be present at any part of the meetings of the Committee and will hold in camera sessions at the end of each meeting first with the Executive Director present, then without.