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District meetings produce resolutions

The AMM has just finished a very busy couple of weeks organizing and coordinating the June District Meetings. Along with the director elections, one of the most important aspects of these meetings is to receive and vote on each district's resolutions. These resolutions are what guides the AMM's policy and lobbying efforts.

So now that the resolutions have been voted on, what happens next? First, the AMM reviews all the resolutions to determine if immediate action should be taken. The resolutions are then reviewed and categorized by the Convention Resolutions Committee whose members are made up of the chairs of the District Resolution Committees. The committee will meet in the beginning of September.

Those resolutions that are categorized as A or B are debated at the AMM Annual Convention in November. Those categorized as C or D are reviewed by the AMM Board of Directors. If a resolution is categorized as a C, the Board decides what action should be taken. If the resolution is categorized as a D, there is no further action taken.

As you probably already know, the AMM uses a computer software program that was developed last year to keep track of all resolutions and policies. This municipal database tracks all resolutions, regardless if they are categorized as an A or D.

With this database, the AMM can efficiently address and track all progress on each resolution. Whether we address the resolutions with letters, meetings with Ministers, sitting on external committees, articles in *The Municipal Leader* or a letter writing campaign, each action that is taken is entered into the database. This allows the AMM policy staff to easily track progress

and follow-up on a resolution.

The AMM is committed to having all information regarding a resolution or policy up-to-date in the database. With this current information on hand, the AMM executive can meet with districts and municipalities and inform them of what is happening with their resolution as well as what actions have been taken. It is also our intention to provide you with a report card at our Convention in November on the status of some of our resolutions.

I encourage you to visit the listing of active resolutions on our web site (www.amm.mb.ca/resolutions.asp) along with their corresponding provincial responses.

If you have any questions regarding the resolution process or concerns with a particular resolution, please call the AMM's Director of Policy & Communication, **Richard White** at 204-856-2362. ●

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