Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation
60 Mobile Drive, Toronto, Ontario M4A 2P3

Memorandum

Date: December 5, 2008 D/BU #61/2008-2009

To: District/Bargaining Unit Presidents

From: Ken Coran
President

Re: **Request for Proposals for Short Unit Plans of 4 – 5 Lessons on Socially-Based Curriculum Topics**

For Action

Attached please find a memorandum regarding the Request for Proposals for Short Unit Plans of 4 - 5 Lessons on Socially-Based Curriculum Topics. The memorandum is to be distributed to Branch Presidents and Workplace Representatives with a request to bring this to the attention of their members. It is also being distributed to worksites as a Staffroom Rap.

Please note that the deadline for submissions of proposals is **Friday, January 9, 2009.**

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Attachment
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
FOR SHORT UNIT PLANS OF 4 - 5 LESSONS
ON SOCIALLY-BASED CURRICULUM TOPICS

OSSTF/FEESO is looking for proposals for practical, stand-alone, progressive, classroom-ready lessons/unit plans of 4 to 5 lessons in length on social issues such as (but not limited to) globalization, world peace, anti-discrimination, environmental issues, universal child care, sexual harassment, aboriginal issues, poverty etc.

These units must:

- be original material;
- not have been previously published or adapted from existing published material, nor directly include material from other copyrighted sources (note: copyrighted material, such as articles or photographs, may be referenced in the unit but not directly included without copyright permission);
- not have been developed for a board or on board time;
- have been field-tested and proven effective in providing credible alternatives or supplements to fill gaps in existing curriculum.

The proposals selected by OSSTF/FEESO will then need to be developed by the member(s) according to a template that will be provided by OSSTF/FEESO and submitted by the end of April. The completed units will then be formatted and published on the provincial website.

OSSTF/FEESO will pay an honorarium of $1000 per published unit to the member(s) who submitted it upon completion thereby giving OSSTF/FEESO the publishing rights to the unit.

Your proposal should be submitted on the attached form and must include the following:

- the name and contact information of the member(s) submitting the proposal;
- the title of the socially-based curriculum unit;
- a 200 word executive summary which describes briefly the unit and the course name and course code to which it applies;
- a brief description of how and when the unit was field tested and how successful it was;
- a letter of reference from an OSSTF/FEESO colleague who can speak to the unit's success and impact on students.

Proposals which focus on issues or for courses not already covered by the units selected in previous years are preferred. See http://www.osstf.on.ca/SBCU for units previously submitted.

Please submit your proposal to **Wendy Anes Hirschegger** by fax (416-751-7079) or by email (hirschw@osstf.on.ca) by **Friday, January 9, 2009.**

PROPOSAL FOR SOCIALLY-BASED CURRICULUM TOPIC

Please fill in the information below in ink. Please print legibly.

A. Contact information:

Name(s) of the member(s) submitting the proposal:

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Name of School, and District SchoolBoard:

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Workplace phone number(s):_____

Non-board email address(es):

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Home Phone number: _____

Home address:

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B. Title of the Socially-based Curriculum Unit:

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C. Course Name and Course Code for which the unit is primarily applicable:

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D. Executive Summary:

Briefly (about 200 words) describe the learning outcomes for this unit, including the "big ideas" that students will understand and the key knowledge and skills that students will learn as a result of this unit. In addition, indicate the main activities and performance tasks which will demonstrate them.

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D. Field-testing: How and when was the unit was field tested and to what extent was it successful in achieving the outcomes desired?

E. Please attach a letter of reference from an OSSTF/FEESO colleague.

This letter should be from an OSSTF/FEESO colleague who can speak to the success of the unit and its impact on students.

F. Authorization

•I hereby consent to the collection, and use of the above-noted information by the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation.
•I confirm that all of the information that I have supplied is true and accurate.

Signature(s):_____ **Date:**_____