

Public Policy Committee November 2007

The CPA Public Policy Committee is entering its second official year, thanks to the efforts of Wendy Josephson who established the committee as an official Board committee last year. A speaker has been arranged for the 2008 Convention in Halifax – Sherri Torjman from the Caledon Institute of Social Policy. As well, a panel of Canadian psychologists will discuss their work in public policy development.

The mandate for the Committee for this year was determined to be the establishment of a CPA task force on violence. The committee members are currently exchanging ideas on the scope of the document they wish to produce, the format that document will take, and establishing time lines and assignments of responsibility for writing. This project is still in the early stages, however already a number of dynamic and productive discussions have taken place and the project is beginning to come into focus. By the next Board meeting, we expect to have much more to report.

Respectfully submitted by:

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