# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 72 (CAMPBELL RIVER), HELD IN PERSON AND ELECTRONICALLY AT 7:30 PM, ON TUESDAY, November 4, 2025

**Present** C. Gillis, Vice-Chair; S, Briggs, J. Gladish, D. Hagen, D. Harper, J. McMann Trustees; P. Cizmic, Associate Superintendent, G. Manning, Superintendent; and K. Patrick Secretary-Treasurer.

Absent: K. Eddy, Trustee

# 25-158 Call to order by Secretary Treasurer

Secretary Treasurer Patrick called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Patrick called the Board's attention to *Board Governance Policy 15: Meetings, (1.6)* which notes: "In non-election years, at the first public board meeting in November, the chair and vice-chair shall be elected, and signing officers shall be appointed".

# 25-159 Election of Chairperson for the Board for the period November 4, 2025-November 3, 2026.

Secretary-Treasurer Patrick took the Chair for the purpose of calling for nominations and electing a Board Chair for the period November 4, 2025-November 3, 2026.

Trustee McMann nominated Vice-Chair Gillis, for the position of Chair. Gillis accepted the nomination.

After calling two more times for further nominations and hearing none, Secretary-Treasurer Patrick declared that Craig Gillis was elected Board Chair by acclamation for the upcoming year.

# 25-160 Election of Vice-Chairperson for the Board for the period November 4, 2025-November 3, 2026

Board Chair Gillis took the Chair for the purpose of calling for nominations and electing a Board Vice-Chair for the period November 4, 2025-November 3, 2026.

Trustee Gladish nominated Trustee McMann for the position of Vice-Chair. McMann accepted the nomination.

After calling two more times for further nominations and hearing none, Board Chair Gillis declared that Joyce McMann was elected Board Vice-Chair by acclamation for the upcoming year.

#### 25-161 Chair's Remarks

Chair Gillis thanked the Board for their nomination and acknowledged that he was taking on the challenges of the role with much respect for the work of his predecessor, Kat Eddy. Gillis also commented on the dedication of long serving staff members who will be recognized on November 18 and the contributions of volunteer coaches.

# 25-162 Appointment of Signing Officers:

It was proposed by S Briggs, seconded by D. Harper and **CARRIED**:

THAT the Board of Education for School District 72 hereby appoints the Secretary-Treasurer, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Board Chair and Vice-Chair as signing officers for the School District.

#### 25-163 Superintendent's remarks

Superintendent Manning congratulated incoming Board Chair Gillis and Board Vice Chair McMann on their election. Manning noted the Remembrance Day ceremonies that will be taking place at all schools on November 10, with student and teacher involvement.

#### 25-164 Approval of the minutes of October 21, 2025

It was proposed by D. Harper, seconded by D. Hagen and CARRIED:

THAT the minutes of the meeting of October 21, 2025 are hereby approved as submitted.

#### 25-165 Business arising from the minutes

Trustee Gladish commented on item 25-150 in the minutes and shared her thoughts on the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning report that was presented at the October 21, 2025 meeting.

#### 25-166 Additions to the Agenda

18C IEAC report (J Gladish)

19A Human early learning partnership presentation (J McMann)

# 25-167 Approval of the agenda

It was proposed by S. Briggs, seconded by D. Hagen and CARRIED:

THAT the agenda is hereby approved as amended.

#### 25-168 Report from the November 4, 2025 Confidential Board Meeting

Vice-Chair Gillis reported general statements of matters discussed in the Board's Confidential Meeting, and in accordance with Section 72(3) of the School Act, reports the following:

- 1. Teaching, administrative and support staff changes;
- 2. Property, legal and financial issues.

# 25-169 Quarterly finance report – period ending September 30, 2025

Secretary-Treasurer Patrick highlighted expenses and revenues in the quarterly financial report for the period ending September 30, 2025.

#### 25-170 October 24, 2025 BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council meeting

Chair Gillis attended the virtual meeting of the BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council meeting on Oct 24, 2025. Discussion centred on advocacy goals for the association and preparation for the BC School Trustees Association Trustee Academy in November.

# 25-171 October 28, 2025 City of Campbell River/ SD72 liaison committee meeting

Chair Gillis noted discussions at the Oct 28, 2025 City of Campbell River/ SD72 liaison committee meeting that touched on: feedback on city managed dog parks on school property; community concerns and initiatives and other projects of mutual interest including the City's master transportation plan, child care facility construction and the restart of the Ishikari- Campbell River exchange program.

# 25-172 October 22, 2025 BC School Trustees Association Indigenous Education Advisory Committee meeting

Trustee Gladish shared her report on the virtual BC School Trustees Association Indigenous Education Advisory Committee meeting she attended on October 22, 2025. Committee members praised the panel presentation at the Vancouver Island School Trustees Association fall conference held in Campbell River Oct 3-4. At the IEAC meeting committee members also discussed the United Nations Declaration on the Rights on Indigenous Persons (UNDRIP) and the First Nations Education Steering Committee's (FNESC) student attendance initiative.

# 25-173 November 3, 2025 Human early learning partnership webinar

Vice Chair McMann joined the Human Early Learning Partnership webinar hosted by UBC on November 3, 2025. The partnership gathers data and reports on overall provincial trends in children's development to gain a deeper understanding of children's social and emotional health and well-being during early and middle childhood, from their own perspective

# Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

Craig Gillis, Chair.

Kevin Patrick, Secretary-Treasurer.

KWP:nc November 4, 2025