



**BOARD OF EDUCATION VANCOUVER ISLAND WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT 84
DISTRICT POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE
TUESDAY OCTOBER 14, 2025
CAPTAIN MEARES ELEMENTARY SECONDARY SCHOOL, TAHSIS, BC**

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Arlaine Fehr, Chairperson (Gold River)
Cyndy Rodgers (Zeballos)
Allison Stiglitz (Tahsis)
Katie Unger (Gold River) (online)
Jenniffer Hanson, Vice-Chairperson (Kyuquot)online

ALSO PRESENT: Stephen Larre, Superintendent
Gillian Leask, Secretary Treasurer
Ellena Gjesdal, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER AND TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Chairperson Fehr called the meeting to order at 10:04 am and acknowledged and gave thanks that we work, play and live on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Nuu-chah-nulth peoples, Ehattesaht Chinehkint, Nuchatlaht, Mowachaht/Muchalaht, and Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/Che:k'tles7et'h First Nations.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda KU/AS

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes AS/KU

NEW BUSINESS

a. Policy 4 – Trustee Code of Ethics

The Committee agreed to the following recommendations:

- a. POINT 1 - Update this language to align with the protected grounds under the BC Human Rights Code.
- b. POINT 3 - Operations be more clearly stated. Add "(Governance)" after the word "administered" and "(Operations)" after "district business".
- c. POINT 9 – Change "practice discretion" to "uphold confidentiality"

b. Policy 5 – Role of the Board Chair

No recommendations at this time.

c. Policy 6 – Role of the Vice-Chair

No recommendations at this time.

d. Policy 7 – Board Committees

The Committee agreed to the following recommendations:

- a. Separate Operational Committees from Board Committees under a separate heading to ensure committees required under collective agreements or other legislation with their own terms of reference are not incorrectly bound to Board Policy
- b. Strike District Mission and Goals Committee
- c. Strike Indigenous Education Committee – per legislation, IEC is an advisory body, not a



committee

- d. Update “Grievance Committee” title to “CUPE Grievance Committee” for clarity
- e. Housekeeping updates to listing of committee appointments

e. Policy 8 – Board Representatives

No recommendations at this time.

NEXT MEETING

November 10, 2025 in Gold River

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:02am