THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 33 (CHILLIWACK)



Policy Manual

POLICY 170 RECORDING OF BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Public meetings of the Board may be audio-visually recorded; however, there are no legal requirements for the Board to record its meetings and/or make the recordings available to the public.

The official audio or video recording of any public meeting of the Board is the Board's exclusive property and is to be used solely at its discretion. Recordings of Regular Public Board meetings will be stored and available for a one-year period after a general school election.

The official record of a Board meeting is the Board-approved written minutes.

The recording of Board Meetings is subject to the following guidelines:

Guidelines

- 1. The agenda for the Regular Public Board Meeting will contain a notification that all or a portion of the meeting is being recorded.
 - 1.1. Staff of the Chilliwack School District who are invited to speak or present at a meeting do so with the understanding that they may be recorded.
 - 1.2. Signage will be posted to ensure that attendees or participating members of the public are aware that the meeting is being recorded and will be shared publicly and archived by the Board.
 - 1.3. Wherever possible, if a member of the public wishes to present to the Board but would prefer not to be visible on the live-stream or recording of the meeting, consideration will be given to alternatives to accommodate that request.
- 2. There shall be no recording of tablet screens or digital resources used at the Board of Education table, excluding public presentation materials.
- 3. While it is the Board's intent to live stream and make available recorded Regular Public Board meeting proceedings, the Board, at its discretion, may:
 - 3.1. Discontinue the recording of a meeting at any time at the discretion of the Board Chair, if recording is creating any impediment to conducting the meeting in an efficient or orderly fashion; or
 - 3.2. Withhold posting of a recording of a meeting, or a portion of a meeting in order to avoid possible legal liability to the Board, the District and District employees. In such an instance, legal advice will be sought as necessary.
- 4. The recording may contain a notification disclaiming responsibility for statements made by those in attendance at the meeting.

Related Legislation: School Act [RSBC 1996, Part 6, Division 1, Section 72] and Freedom of Information and

Protection of Privacy Act [RSBC 1996, Part 3, Division 1, Section 27.3.d]

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