



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
The Board of Education
School District #33 (Chilliwack)**

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Location: School District Office

Members Present:	Chair	David Swankey
	Vice Chair	Teri Westerby
	Trustee	Carin Bondar
	Trustee	Richard Procee
	Trustee	Willow Reichelt
	Trustee	Margaret Reid
	Trustee	Laurie Throness

Staff Present:	Superintendent	Rohan Arul-pragasam
	Secretary Treasurer	Simone Sangster
	Assistant Superintendent	Paula Jordan
	Assistant Superintendent	Kirk Savage
	Assistant Superintendent	David Manuel
	Executive Assistant	Talana McNally

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m.

The Chair opened the meeting with a welcome, an acknowledgment of Traditional Territory, and the Board's Diversity Statement.

1.2. Adoption of the Agenda

104.25 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

1.3. Approval of the Minutes

105.25 Moved by: Trustee Throness
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the minutes of the September 23, 2025 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. INFORMATION ITEMS**2.1. Education Policy Advisory Committee Report**

Trustee Reichelt provided the Education Policy Advisory Committee report, outlining the policy reviews and recommended amendments arising from the barrier scan.

2.2. Trustee Written Reports

Trustees submitted written reports listing key activities they've attended since the last public board meeting as well as upcoming events.

2.3. BCSTA Report

Trustee Reid provided an update on matters related to the BCSTA.

2.4. Indigenous Education Council (IEC) Update

The Board received an update from the Indigenous Education Council (IEC).

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AGENDA

- No comments or questions were received

4. ACTION ITEMS**4.1. Policy Amendments – 200 & 300 Series Barrier Scan**

106.25 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the Board of Education approve the amendments to **Policy 310 – Student Expectations, Rights and Responsibilities** as recommended by the Education Policy Advisory Committee, in alignment with the District's barrier scan process and Board Policy 161.

NO VOTE

107.25 Moved by: Trustee Throness
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education refer **Policy 310 – Student Expectations, Rights and Responsibilities** back to the Education Policy Advisory Committee, with direction to review Board comments on grammar and to complete a legal review.

DEFEATED

108.25 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the Board of Education approve the amendments to **Policy 310 – Student Expectations, Rights and Responsibilities** as recommended by the Education Policy Advisory Committee, in alignment with the District's barrier scan process and Board Policy 161.

CARRIED

109.25 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education approve the amendments to **Policy 311 – Dress Guidelines for Students** as recommended by the Education Policy Advisory Committee, in alignment with the District's barrier scan process and Board Policy 161.

NO VOTE

110.25 Moved by: Trustee Throness
Seconded by: Trustee Reid

THAT the Board of Education refer **Policy 311 – Dress Guidelines for Students** back to the Education Policy Advisory Committee, with direction to include a definition of *safety* to the policy.

DEFEATED

111.25 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education approve the amendments to **Policy 311 – Dress Guidelines for Students** as recommended by the Education Policy Advisory Committee, in alignment with the District's barrier scan process and Board Policy 161.

CARRIED

112.25 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the Board of Education approve the amendments to **Policy 312 – Supervision of Students** as recommended by the Education Policy Advisory Committee, in alignment with the District's barrier scan process and Board Policy 161.

CARRIED

5. MEETING SUMMARIES

Meeting summaries were provided listing In-Camera items since the last Regular Public Board Meeting.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

- No comments or questions were received

7. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

The Superintendent provided updates on enrolment as of September 30, 2025, the Learning Together for Equity Middle School Professional Day program, and 2025-26 FSA Administration.

There was consensus among trustees to receive additional information from staff regarding FSA with Care and the number of staff members who use it.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

8.3. Next Board of Education Meeting Date

**Tuesday, November 18, 2025
5:30 p.m.
School District Office**

Board Chair

Secretary Treasurer