



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

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, May 19, 2026

**Location:** School District Office

**Members Present:**

Chair	David Swankey
Vice Chair	Margaret Reid
Trustee	Carin Bondar
Trustee	Richard Procee
Trustee	Willow Reichelt
Trustee	Teri Westerby

**Staff Present:**

Superintendent	Rohan Arul-pragasam
Secretary Treasurer	Simone Sangster
Assistant Superintendent	Paula Jordan
Assistant Superintendent	Kirk Savage
Assistant Superintendent	David Manuel
Assistant Secretary Treasurer	Raman Brar
Executive Assistant	Talana McInally

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**1.1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 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**

**74.26** Moved by: Trustee Westerby  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**1.3. Approval of the Minutes**

**75.26** Moved by: Trustee Reid

Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the minutes of the May 12, 2026 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

## **2. PRESENTATION ITEM**

### **2.1. 2026-2027 Budget Presentation**

The Secretary Treasurer and Assistant Secretary Treasurer presented the draft 2026-2027 budget. The public was advised that questions and comments may be submitted to the Board at board@sd33.bc.ca.

## **3. INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **3.1. 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.

### **3.2. Budget Advisory Committee Report (Minutes)**

The Board received the minutes of the Budget Advisory Committee meeting held on May 7, 2026.

### **3.3. Budget Advisory Committee Report (Quarterly Financial Report)**

The Board received the March 2026 Quarterly Report and Written Financial Report as presented to the Budget Advisory Committee on May 7, 2026.

### **3.4. Trustee Written Reports**

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

### **3.5. BCSTA Report**

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

### **3.6. Indigenous Education Council (IEC) Update**

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

## **4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AGENDA**

- Clarifying support staff roles as described in the budget presentation
- Enrolment projection accuracy
- Budgeting for staff replacements
- Quarterly Financial Report – variance in vacancy factor

**5. ACTION ITEMS****5.1. Bylaw 2: Trustee Elections (Revised)**

**76.26** Moved by: Trustee Reichelt  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Bylaw 2 – Trustee Elections (Revised).

**CARRIED****5.2. Major Capital Funding Bylaw - ADR**

**77.26** Moved by: Trustee Reichelt  
Seconded by: Trustee Reid

THAT the Board of Education approve three readings of Capital Bylaw B2026-03 (No. 2024/25 CPSD33-02) at the May 19, 2026 Regular Board Meeting.  
(*vote must be unanimous*)

**CARRIED**

**78.26** Moved by: Trustee Reichelt  
Seconded by: Trustee Westerby

THAT the Board approve 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> reading and adopt Capital Bylaw B2026-03 (No. 2024/25 CPSD33-02).

**CARRIED**

Meeting Recessed at 6:42 pm  
Meeting called back to order at 6:50 pm  
Assistant Secretary Treasurer Raman Brar left the meeting

**5.3. Policy Amendments – 200 & 300 Series Barrier Scan**

**79.26** Moved by: Trustee Reichelt  
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education approve the amendments to **Policies 220 Parents' Advisory Councils, 221 District Parents' Advisory Council, 231 Advertising in Schools by Commercial Enterprises, and 370 District Programs and Unique Learning Opportunities**, 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**

- Advertising in Schools by Commercial Enterprises:

- revenue generating opportunities
- materials shared by staff to students

**7. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

The Superintendent provided the Board with an update on the District’s 2025–2026 results on the Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI).

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

**8.3. Next Board of Education Meeting Date**

**Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, June 16, 2026  
5:30 p.m.  
School District Office**

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Board Chair

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Secretary Treasurer