



**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PUBLIC MEETING  
November 1, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.  
School Board Office  
3143 Jacklin Road**

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**A G E N D A**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF FIRST NATIONS TERRITORIES – HAROLD CULL**

*We are honoured to be meeting on the traditional territories of the Coast Salish, specifically Esquimalt Nation, Songhees Nation, and acknowledge the three nations SD62 works with directly in our schools: Sc'ianew Nation, Coast Salish, and T'Sou-ke Nation; including the West Coast Pacheedaht Nation, Nuu-chah-nulth.(words gifted by the three nations SD62 works with)*

**WELCOME AND BLESSING – BROTHER RICK**

**10. FOUNDATIONS & GOVERNANCE**

10.1 Oath of Office – Harold Cull

10.2 Trustee Elections:

- a. Chair
- b. Vice-Chair
- c. British Columbia School Trustee Association (BCSTA) Representative and Alternate
- d. British Columbia Public School Employees Association (BCPSEA) Representative and Alternate

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

**Board Info Note**  
**Inaugural Board Meeting**  
**November 1, 2022**  
**Agenda Item: 10.1 – Oath of Office**

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**Background**

- Based on Section 50 of the School Act (copied below), all persons elected as a trustee must take the prescribed Oath of Office (attached) within the time limits identified in the Act
- This Oath of Office will be made before the District’s Secretary Treasurer during the Inaugural Meeting of the Board of Education (BoE) on November 1, 2022
- Easy trustee elect will take the Oath individually
- Once all seven trustees have taken the oath, they will be deemed to have officially taken office and will form the Board of Education for School District #62 (Sooke) for the 2022 to 2026 term

**Oath of office**

- 50 (1) A person elected or appointed as a trustee must make a prescribed oath of office, by oath or solemn affirmation, within the following applicable time limit:
- (a) in the case of a person elected by acclamation, within 50 days after the date set for general voting day had an election by voting been required;
  - (b) in the case of a person elected by voting, within 45 days after the declaration of the results of the election;
  - (c) in the case of a person appointed to office, within 45 days after the effective date of the appointment.
- (2) The oath must be made before a judge of the Court of Appeal, Supreme Court or Provincial Court, a justice of the peace, a local government corporate officer or the secretary treasurer of a board, and the person making the oath must obtain the completed oath or a certificate of it from the person administering it.
- (3) A person takes office as trustee
- (a) at the time the term of office begins if, at this time, the person produces or has produced the completed oath or certificate to the secretary treasurer, or
  - (b) at any later time that the person produces the completed oath or certificate to the secretary treasurer.
- (4) A person taking office as a trustee may also make an oath of allegiance.

OATH OF OFFICE

CANADA )

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA )

I (name of trustee), do solemnly swear/affirm that:

I am qualified to hold office as a trustee in the Sooke School District and meet the trustee qualification requirements set out in the *School Act*;

I have not, by myself or any other person, knowingly contravened the *School Act* respecting vote buying, intimidation or other election offences in relation to my election as a trustee:

I will abide by the *School Act* and I will faithfully perform the duties of my office, and will not allow any private interest to influence my conduct in public matters;

I will comply with the requirements of the *School Act* that relate to conflict of interest and, in particular, I will comply with the requirements relating to disclosure of pecuniary and indirect pecuniary interest in a matter.

SWORN by the above-named Trustee

before me at Langford,

British Columbia the 1<sup>st</sup> day

of November 2022.

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Harold Cull, Secretary-Treasurer

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(name of trustee)

**Board Info Note**  
**Inaugural Board Meeting**  
**November 1, 2022**  
**Agenda Item: 10.2 – Trustee Elections**

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**Background**

- Once the Board of Education (BoE) has been formed, the first order of business is to conduct trustee elections to determine the following positions:
  - 1) Chair of the Board;
  - 2) Vice-Chair of the Board;
  - 3) British Columbia School Trustee Association (BCSTA) Representative and Alternate; and
  - 4) British Columbia Public School Employees Association (BCPSEA) Representative and Alternate.
- The role and responsibilities of the Board Chair and Vice Chair are outlined on the [Board's Bylaw #1-20](#)
- To begin the election process, the Secretary Treasurer will conduct the election of the Board Chair
- After the Board Chair has been elected or acclaimed, the meeting and remainder of the trustee elections will be turned over to the Chair to conduct
- During non-Board of Education/Municipal election years, the trustee election process is conducted during the regular December Board meeting