GULF ISLANDS SCHOOL DISTRICT 64

Board of Education, School District No. 64 (Gulf Islands)
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING, PUBLIC SESSION
School Board Office
2026 11 04 at 9:15 a.m.

AGENDA

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

   With the intention of holding a safe, caring, and orderly meeting for all we pledge: To do our best to maintain a respectful and inclusive working environment. We will hold this meeting to the highest standard of civility and appropriate conduct so that we may attend to our business effectively and productively.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

3. **BOARD ELECTIONS**
   (a) Declaration of Election Results (attachment)
   (b) Swearing in of Trustees & Oath of Office (attachment)
   (c) Trustee Declaration of Commitment to the Code of Conduct (link/attachment)
   (d) Board Position Elections
      i. Chairperson
      ii. Vice Chairperson
      iii. BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) Representative and Alternate
      iv. BC Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA) Representative and Alternate
      v. Indigenous Education Council Representatives

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Declaration of Official Election Results
General Local Election 2026
Office of School Trustee

I, Jesse Guy, Chief Election Officer for School District No. 64 (Gulf Islands), do hereby declare, pursuant to section 146(2) of the Local Government Act, elected the following candidates who received the highest number of valid votes for the **Office of School Trustee for Electoral Area 1 – Salt Spring**:

Candidates	Votes	Result
John Whitelaw	1626	Elected
Tisha Boulter	1562	Elected
Clare Hoffman	1472	Elected
Sharyn Carroll	1229	
Rob Pingle	1173	
Anna Szul	706	
Jenny McClean	614	
Charles McGill	523	

I, Jesse Guy, Chief Election Officer for School District No. 64 (Gulf Islands), do hereby declare, pursuant to section 98(3) of the Local Government Act, the following candidates elected by acclamation:

Office of School Trustee – Trustee Electoral Area 2, Pender Island: Greg Lucas

Office of School Trustee – Trustee Electoral Area 3, Saturna Island: Chaya Katrensky

Office of School Trustee – Trustee Electoral Area 4, Mayne Island: Deborah Luporini

Office of School Trustee – Trustee Electoral Area 5, Galiano Island: Levi Wilson

Given under my hand at Ganges, Salt Spring Island, British Columbia, October 21, 2026.

Jesse Guy
Chief Election Officer
School District No. 64 (Gulf Islands)

GULF ISLANDS SCHOOL DISTRICT 64

Oath of Office for School Trustee of the Board of Education of
School District No. 64 (Gulf Islands)

I, _____, do solemnly affirm that:

- I am qualified to hold office as a trustee in the Gulf Islands 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 will faithfully perform the duties of my office, and I 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.

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Signature

Declared before me at Ganges,
Salt Spring Island, British Columbia,
the 4th day of November 2026

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Jesse Guy
Secretary Treasurer

Policy 1.30 Trustee Code of Conduct

The Board of Education recognises and accepts the trust placed in it, and commits to:

- the improvement of student achievement and the provision of appropriate and relevant educational programs to all school district learners, consistent with curricular expectations and guidelines established by the province, and in a way that reflects the values of the communities we serve;

- establishing and sustaining safe, secure and productive learning and working environments;

- developing a district staff with knowledge, skills and attitudes well-suited to the provision of such programs in such learning environments, as they occur in our school communities;

- fostering working partnerships with parents and community members, and directly involving them in the development and delivery of educational programs, where appropriate.

The Board and individual trustees will conduct themselves in an ethical and businesslike manner. This commitment includes proper use of authority and appropriate decorum when acting on behalf of the Board.

Specifically, trustees will:

1. commit to the Oath of Office at the start of a term and adhere to that Oath while in office;

2. abide by the policies of the Board and all applicable legislation and regulations, in particular the Criminal Code, Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Human Rights Code, School Act, and Workers' Compensation Act;

3. accept and respect the fact that the Board exercises power only when meeting in legal session;

4. be a staunch advocate of high quality, free, public education for all students residing within the district;

5. demonstrate a commitment to diversity, inclusion, anti-racism, truth and reconciliation, and productive relations with First Nations;

6. do everything possible to maintain the integrity, confidence, and dignity of the office of school trustee, and be committed to responsible digital citizenship to minimize the risks associated with digital media;

7. endeavor to work in a spirit of harmony and cooperation in spite of differences of opinion that may arise during debate;

8. observe proper decorum and behavior; encourage full and open discussions in all matters; treat them with respect and consideration; and not withhold or conceal from them any information or matter with which they should be concerned;

9. represent and serve the interests of the entire district, rather than those of a particular interest group or geographic area;

10. avoid unwarranted criticism of trustees, the Board, or employees, both in and out of the boardroom;

11. devote time, thought and study to duties and responsibilities and consider information received from all sources;

12. maintain confidentiality of privileged information and respect the confidentiality of discussions that take place during in-camera sessions;

13. make and support majority decisions whilst valuing and respecting differences of opinion;

14. demonstrate discretion when making public statements so as to minimize the impression that such statements reflect the corporate opinion of the Board when they do not;

15. deal appropriately with sensitive issues;

16. abide by district policy and the *School Act* regarding conflict of interest;

17. as an elected official, have an obligation to attend all meetings of the Board unless unable to attend due to illness or other urgent circumstance. In such situations, the trustee will advise the Board Chair, as early as possible, of their expected absence and the circumstances preventing their attendance at the scheduled meeting.

Upon being elected to a term as trustee for the district, and as part of the inaugural meeting, trustees will commit to these statements by formally signing this Code of Conduct. Trustees will also annually indicate their commitment to this Code of Conduct.