

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43 (COQUITLAM)

TRUSTEE ELECTIONS BYLAW NO. 2018

This Bylaw hereby repeals Trustee Elections Bylaw No. 2014-1

A bylaw to provide for the determination of various procedures for the conduct of general school elections and other trustee elections.

Preamble:

Under the *School Act*, the Board of Education may, by bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied in the conduct of trustee elections.

In School District No. 43 (Coquitlam), under section 37 of the *School Act*, trustee elections in the following trustee electoral areas are the responsibility of the following authorities:

Trustee Electoral Area	No. of Trustees	Authority
City of Coquitlam	4	City of Coquitlam
City of Port Coquitlam	2	City of Port Coquitlam
City of Port Moody	2	City of Port Moody
Village of Anmore and Village of Belcarra(hereinafter "Anmore-Belcarra")	1	Board of Education

Trustee elections in the Anmore-Belcarra trustee electoral area that are conducted at the same time as general local elections have customarily been carried out by the Village of Belcarra and it is the board's expectation that such arrangements are likely to continue under agreements authorized by section 38(4) of the *School Act*.

The Board of Education wishes to establish various procedures and requirements under the authority of the *School Act* for trustee elections.

The Board of Education, in an open meeting of the Board, enacts as follows:

1. Definitions

The terms used shall have the meanings assigned by the *School Act* and the *Local Government Act*, except as the context indicates otherwise.

"By-election" means a trustee election to fill a vacancy on the school board.

"Election" means a trustee election.

"Board" or "school board" means the Board of Education of School District No. 43 (Coquitlam).

2. Application

This bylaw applies to both general elections and by-elections, except as otherwise indicated.

3. Order of Names on the Ballot

The order of names of candidates on the ballot will be alphabetical.

4. Resolution of Tie Votes after Judicial Recount

In the event of a tie vote after a judicial recount, the tie vote will be resolved by lot in accordance with section 151 of the *Local Government Act*.

5. Application of Local Government Bylaws

- a) When the board enters into an agreement with the Village of Anmore or Village of Belcarra under section 38(4) of the *School Act*, under which the Village of Anmore or Village of Belcarra conducts a trustee election for the board of education, or conducts a trustee election in conjunction with a local government election, the elections bylaws of the above mentioned local governments, as they may be amended from time to time, apply to any trustee election or part of a trustee election carried out under that agreement, except as otherwise provided by the *School Act* or by this bylaw.
- b) Where the board conducts an election in a trustee electoral area at the same time as a local government election for the Village of Anmore or the Village of Belcarra is being conducted, the election bylaws of the Village of Anmore or Village of Belcarra, as the case may be, as they may be amended from time to time, apply to that part of the trustee election relating to the Village of Anmore or to the Village of Belcarra, as the case may be, except as otherwise provided by the *School Act* or by this bylaw.
- c) For certainty, the minimum numbers of qualified nominators for a trustee candidate are as established by the bylaws of the City of Coquitlam, City of Port Coquitlam and City of Port Moody or, if no number is so established, is two. The minimum number of qualified nominators for a trustee candidate in Anmore-Belcarra is two.
- d) For certainty, trustee elections in the City of Coquitlam, City of Port Coquitlam, and City of Port Moody are governed by the elections bylaws of the respective local governments, except as provided otherwise by the *School Act* or this bylaw.

6. Public Access to Election Documents

- a) The Board authorizes posting of nomination documents of trustee candidates on the website of School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) until 30 days after declaration of the election results.
- b) The Board authorizes but does not require chief election officers to post nomination documents of trustee candidates for public access on any or all of websites of the Cities of Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam, Port Moody and Villages of Anmore and Belcarra until such time as established by the bylaws of the relevant local government.

- c) The Board authorizes posting of a link to the Elections BC website where trustee candidates' campaign financing disclosure statements and declarations and supplementary statements and declarations are posted.
- d) The Board authorizes the chief elections officers to post a link to the Elections BC website where trustee candidates' campaign financing disclosure statements and declarations and supplementary statements and declarations are posted.

This bylaw may be cited as "School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) Trustee Elections Bylaw No. 2018".


Read a first time the 15th day of May, 2018.

Read a second time the 15th day of May, 2018.

Read for a third time, passed and adopted the 15th day of May, 2018.



Board Chair



Secretary-Treasurer

I HEREBY CERTIFY this to be a true original of School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) Trustee Elections Bylaw No. 2018, adopted by the Board the 15th day of May, 2018.



Secretary-Treasurer