

# Minutes



## EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**The Board of Education of School District No. 34 (Abbotsford)**  
2790 Tims Street, Abbotsford, BC, V2T 4M7

**Date:** April 18, 2023  
**Time:** 3:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Meeting held through on-line video conference

### TRUSTEES IN

**ATTENDANCE:** Mike Rauch, Chair  
Korky Neufeld  
Stan Petersen  
Preet Rai  
Jared White  
Shirley Wilson

### TRUSTEE

**REGRETS:** Rupi Kanda-Rajwan

### STAFF IN

**ATTENDANCE:** Dr. Kevin Godden, Superintendent  
Ray Velestuk, Secretary-Treasurer  
Kat Hannah, Director of Instruction, Learning Support Services  
Carla Danielsson, Assistant Superintendent  
Nathan Ngieng, Assistant Superintendent  
Lynette Power, District Vice-Principal  
Corissa St.George, Executive Assistant

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#### **1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Rauch called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

#### **2.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LOCAL INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY**

##### **2.1 Acknowledgement of Local Indigenous Community**

We acknowledge that the Abbotsford School District is located on the traditional and unceded territory of the Stó:lō people, the Semá:th First Nation and Mathxwí First Nation. With this, we respect the longstanding relationships that Indigenous Nations have to this land, as they are the original caretakers.

#### **3.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as presented.

#### **4.0 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

##### **4.1 Minutes of the Education Committee meeting held February 28, 2023**

The Minutes of the Education Committee meeting held on February 28, 2023 were received. The minutes will be presented at the May 9, 2023 Public Board meeting.

**5.0 REPORTS**

**5.1 English Language Learners (ELL) / Settlement Workers in Schools (SWIS) Update**

District Vice-principal Lynette Power provided information highlighting the key achievements and projects the ELL department has undertaken to work towards a more equitable educational system for English language learners.

District Vice-principal Power exited the meeting at 4:24 p.m.

**5.2 Secondary School Program Reviews**

Director of Instruction, Learning Support Services Kat Hannah presented the program reviews of secondary school supports for vulnerable learners and the Integrated Studies Program (ISP). The program reviews were conducted to examine the continuum of inclusive services and programs.

Director of Instruction, Learning Support Services Kat Hannah exited the meeting at 5:12 p.m.

**6.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The superintendent briefly reminded trustees about completing their 2023-24 Strategic Priority Worksheet and there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m.