

TRUSTEE ELECTIONS BYLAW NO. 6

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 39 (VANCOUVER)

A bylaw to establish procedures for the conduct of trustee elections.

The Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) wishes to establish procedures for the conduct of trustee elections.

The Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) therefore enacts as follows:

1. Scope of Bylaw

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

2. Trustee Electoral Area

In School District No. 39 (Vancouver) trustees are elected at large. School District No. 39 (Vancouver) comprises one (1) trustee electoral area.

3. Definitions

The terms used in this bylaw shall have the meanings assigned by the *School Act*, the *Vancouver Charter*, and the *Local Elections Campaign Financing Act*, except if the context requires otherwise.

“Board” means the Board of Education of School District No. 39 (Vancouver);

“Chief Election Officer” means the person appointed to perform the duties of chief election officer as set out in the *School Act*, *Vancouver Charter* and *Local Elections Campaign Financing Act*.

“City” means the City of Vancouver;

“Minister” means the Minister of Education and Child Care.

“School District” means School District No. 39 (Vancouver).

4. Voters List

The most current available Provincial list of voters prepared under the Election Act is the register of resident electors effective 52 days before any election to which this bylaw applies.

5. Application of Local Government Bylaws

If the City conducts all or part of the trustee election, the election bylaws of the City, as they may be amended from time to time, apply to that trustee election or part of trustee election conducted by the City, except for those sections of the City’s election bylaw determining the minimum number of nominators, the order of names on the ballot, the resolution of tie votes after judicial recount, requiring a nomination deposit, or any other matter on which the local government bylaw may not by law apply to a trustee election.

6. Required Advance Voting Opportunities

- a. Unless the Board is exempted from the requirement by Order of the Minister, an advance voting opportunity will be held on the tenth day before general voting day.
- b. Unless the Board is exempted from the requirement by Order of the Minister, an additional advance voting opportunity will be held on the date set out in the election bylaw of the City in respect of any election or part of an election conducted on behalf of the Board by the City, and if no such date is provided or the election is conducted by the Board, then the fourth day before

general voting day, unless the fourth day before general voting day is a holiday in which case it shall be the first day immediately prior to the fourth day before general voting day which is not a holiday.

7. Additional Advance Voting Opportunities

The Chief Election Officer may establish dates for additional advance voting opportunities for each trustee election and may designate the voting places and the voting hours for such voting opportunities.

8. Additional General Voting Opportunities

The Chief Election Officer is authorized to establish additional general voting opportunities for general voting day for each election and to designate the voting places and voting hours for such voting opportunities, within the limits set out in the *Vancouver Charter*.

9. Order of Names on the Ballot

The order of names of candidates on the ballot will be determined by lot.

10. Resolution of Tie Vote 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 113 of the *Vancouver Charter*.

11. Nomination Deposit

A nomination for the office of school trustee must be accompanied by a deposit in the amount of \$100.

12. Number of Nominators

The minimum numbers of qualified nominators for a trustee candidate is 25.

13. Public Access to Nomination Documents and Campaign Financing Disclosure

- a. Public access to nomination documents of trustee candidates is provided by the City, in accordance with the election bylaws of the City and the *Vancouver Charter* in respect of any election or part of an election conducted on behalf of the Board by the City.
- b. In the event that the Board conducts all or part of an election, the Board authorizes public access to nomination documents of the trustee candidates during the regular office hours at the Board's office from the time the nomination documents are delivered until 30 days after declaration of the election results;
- c. The Board will make available to the public by website access, without charge, the disclosure statements or supplementary reports required to be made available by the BC chief electoral officer on an Elections BC authorized website, other than:
 - i. a mailing address or residential address of a significant contributor, or
 - ii. a telephone number, mailing address, or residential address of a candidate,until 5 years after general voting day for the election to which the trustee's disclosure statements and supplementary reports relate.
- d. The Board will, on request, provide a copy or other record of trustee candidates' disclosure statements and supplementary reports for as long as they are required to be available to the public under section 13(c), for a fee of fifty (50) cents per page.

- e. Before providing the services under section 13(b) or 13(d), other than to a Board officer or employee acting in the course of their duties, the Board may require the person requesting the service to:
 - i. satisfy to a Board official that any purpose for which personal information is to be used is permitted by the *Vancouver Charter* and section 63 of the *Local Elections Campaign Financing Act*, and
 - ii. provide a signed statement that the individual and, if applicable, any individual or organization on whose behalf the first individual is accessing, inspecting or obtaining the copy or other record will not use the information included in the copy or other record except for a purpose permitted under the *Vancouver Charter* and the *Local Elections Campaign Financing Act*.

14. Title

This bylaw may be cited as “School District No. 39 (Vancouver) Trustee Elections Bylaw No. 6”.

15. Repeal

School District No. 39 Trustee Elections Bylaw No. 5 is repealed.

Read a first time this 17th day of June, 2026.

Read a second time this 17th day of June, 2026.

Upon unanimous agreement of the Trustees of the Board in attendance, this Bylaw was read a third time on the 17th day of June, 2026, and finally passed and adopted this 17th day of June, 2026.

Original Signed

Chairperson of the Board

Original Signed

Secretary Treasurer

I HEREBY CERTIFY this to be a true original of School District No. 39 (Vancouver) Trustee Elections Bylaw No. 6, adopted by the Board the 17th day of June, 2026.

Original Signed

Secretary Treasurer