

**BYLAW No. 2703-3 TRUSTEE ELECTIONS AND BY-ELECTIONS**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 27 (CARIBOO-CHILCOTIN)**

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

The Board of Education of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) wishes to establish procedures for the conduct of trustee elections.

Accordingly, the Board of Education of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin), in an open meeting, enacts this Trustee Election Bylaw No. 2703-3.

**1. Scope of Bylaw**

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

**2. Trustee Electoral Areas**

- a. In School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin), trustee elections are held in the following trustee electoral areas (which are more fully described in Ministerial Order M252/1996):

<b>TRUSTEE ELECTORAL AREA (TEA)</b>	<b>TRUSTEE ELECTORAL AREA DESCRIPTION:</b>	<b>NO. OF TRUSTEES</b>
1	Cariboo Regional District Electoral Area H (as that electoral area was defined in the BC Gazette dated February 19, 1981) and parts of Electoral Areas G & L (as those electoral areas were defined in the BC Gazette dated June 17, 1982).	One (1)
2	Parts of Cariboo Regional District Electoral Areas G and L surrounding Green Lake, and Thompson Nicola Regional District Area E to 70 Mile, conforming with the southern boundaries of SD27	One (1)
3	The District of 100 Mile House	One (1)
4	Cariboo Regional District Electoral Area F (as that electoral area is defined in the BC Gazette dated June 17, 1982), and part of Cariboo Regional District Electoral Area D.	One (1)
5	Cariboo Regional District Area E (as that electoral area is defined in the BC Gazette dated February 19, 1981) and part of Cariboo Regional District Electoral Area D (as that electoral area is defined in the BC Gazette dated June 17, 1982)	One (1)
6	The City of Williams Lake	One (1)
7	Cariboo Regional District Electoral Area J (as that electoral area is defined in the BC Gazette dated February 19, 1981) and part of Cariboo Regional District Trustee Electoral Area K (as that electoral area is defined in the BC Gazette dated February 19, 1981).	One (1)

Related Legislation: School Act [RSBC 1996, Part 4, Divisions 3-5], and provisions within the Local Government Act [RSBC 2015]

Related Contract Article: Nil Adopted: June 2014

Amended: January 2019

Amended: April 23, 2019

Amended: June 14, 2022

Amended: December 16, 2024

Amended: March 21, 2025

Amended: June 22, 2026

### 3. Definitions

- a. The terms used in this bylaw shall have the meanings assigned by the *School Act*, the *Local Government Act*, and the *Local Elections Campaign Financing Act*, except if the context requires otherwise.
- b. “Board” means the Board of Education of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin).

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

“local government” means, as applicable, the Cariboo Regional District, the Thompson Nicola Regional District, the District of 100 Mile House, and/or the City of Williams Lake.

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

“School District” means the School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin).

### 4. Voters List

- a. Voting in a trustee election or part of a trustee election conducted by the Board shall be limited to only those electors registering to vote at the time of voting.
- b. Voting in a trustee election or part of a trustee election conducted by a local government on behalf of the Board shall be open to electors registering to vote in accordance with the applicable local government bylaws. If a local government bylaw specifies that the most current provincial voters list prepared under the *Election Act* is the register of resident electors then the provincial voters list becomes the register of electors for any election to which the bylaw applies on the earlier of the date specified in the local government bylaw or 52 days prior to the election to which the bylaw applies.

### 5. Application of Local Government Bylaws

- a. In Trustee Electoral Area 3 the election bylaws of the District of 100 Mile House apply to trustee elections conducted by the District of 100 Mile House, except for those sections of the bylaws 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 bylaws may not by law apply to a trustee election.
  - b. In Trustee Electoral Area 6 the election bylaws of the City of Williams Lake apply to trustee elections conducted by the City of Williams Lake, except for those sections of the bylaws 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 bylaws may not by law apply to a trustee election.
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- c. In Trustee Electoral Areas 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7, if the Cariboo Regional District conducts all or a part of the trustee election, the election bylaws of the Cariboo Regional District, as they may be amended from time to time, apply to that trustee election or part of the trustee election, except for any bylaws 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 bylaws may not by bylaw apply to a trustee election.
- d. In Trustee Electoral Area 2, if the Thompson Nicola Regional District conducts all or part of the trustee election, the elections bylaws of the Thompson Nicola Regional District, as they may be amended from time to time, apply to that trustee election or part of the trustee election, except for any bylaws 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 bylaws may not by bylaw 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 10th day before general voting day.
- b. Unless the Board is exempted from the requirement for an additional advance voting opportunity by Order of the Minister an additional advance voting opportunity will be held on:
  - i. In Trustee Electoral Areas one (1), two (2), four (4), five (5) and seven (7), the required advance voting opportunity will be held on the tenth day before general voting day, unless exempted by order of the Minister, and no other advance voting opportunity will be held.
  - ii. In Trustee Electoral Area three (3), the date specified in the bylaws of the District of 100 Mile House.
  - iii. In Trustee Electoral Area six (6), the date specified in the bylaws of the City of Williams Lake.

## **7. Additional Advance Voting Opportunities**

- a. 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 these voting opportunities.
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## **8. Additional General Voting Opportunities**

- a. 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 *Local Government Act*.

## **9. Order of Names on the Ballot**

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

## **10. Resolution of Tie Vote after Judicial Recount**

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

## **11. Number of Nominators Required**

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

## **12. Website Access to Candidate Nomination Documents and Campaign Financing Disclosure Statements**

- a. The Board authorizes public access to nomination documents of the trustee candidates during 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.
  - b. The Board will make available to the public, without charge, by internet access, the disclosure statements or supplementary reports required to be made available by the BC chief electoral office 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 by providing a copy of that information for inspection.
  - c. 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 12(b) for a fee of \$0.50 per printed side of a page.
  - d. Before providing the services under section 12(a), (b) or (c), 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 *Local Government Act* and section 63 of the *Local Elections Campaign Financing Act*, and
    - ii. provide a signed statement that
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1. the individual,
2. and if applicable, any individual or organization on whose behalf the first individual is accessing, inspecting or obtaining a copy or other record

will not use the information included in the copy or other record except for a purpose permitted under the *Local Government Act* or the *Local Elections Campaign Financing Act*.

### 13. Public Notice Posting Places

- a. For the purpose of trustee elections conducted by the Board, the following are designated as public notice posting places for the purposes of section 50 of the *Local Government Act*:
  - i. the notice board located at the main entrance to the Board's head office; and
  - ii. the front area of the city hall in the District of 100 Mile House.

### 14. Publication by means other than newspaper

- a. The Board designates the following means of publication of notices required to be published pursuant to section 94.2 of the Community Charter:
  - i. the School District website at <https://www.sd27.bc.ca>

### 15. Title

- a. This Bylaw may be cited as "School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) Trustee Election and By-Election Bylaw No. B2707-3".

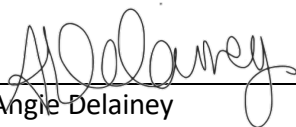
### 16. Repeal

- a. School District No. 27 Trustee Elections Bylaw No. B2707-2 is repealed.

READ A FIRST TIME THE 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026;

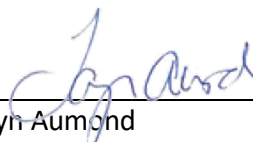
READ A SECOND TIME THE 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026;

READ A THIRD TIME, PASSED AND ADOPTED THE 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026.



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Angie Delainey  
Board Chair



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Taryn Aumond  
Secretary-Treasurer