

Policy Committee
Public Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 11, 2026 – 11:00 am
Via Zoom

Present:

Chairperson	D. Tabolotney
Vice Chairperson	H. Larson
Trustee Member	D. Yang
Trustee	A. Wong
Superintendent	C. Usih
President, Richmond Teachers' Association	L. Baverstock
Vice President, Richmond Association of School Administrators	A. Goulas
President, Canadian Union of Public Employe 716	S. Robinson
Chair, Richmond Management and Administrative Professionals	K. Gibson
Vice President, Richmond District Parents Association	A. Gong
Member at Large, Richmond District Parents Association	K. Ching
Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)	J. Coronel

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 11:00 am.

The Richmond Board of Education acknowledged and thanked the First Peoples of the hə́n̓qə́m̓iṇ̓əm̓ language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

1. Adopt Agenda

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

2. Approve Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held April 13, 2026 were approved as circulated.

3. Policy 701.11-R: Naming and Renaming of Schools and District Facilities

The Superintendent spoke to his report as included in the agenda package. The President of Richmond Teachers Association (RTA) expressed her appreciation for the incorporation of RTA's feedback in the revised draft. She then inquired whether guidance will be provided regarding school mascots and logos. The Superintendent clarified that there are currently no guidelines specific to school mascots and logos. However, staff will work with City Centre School staff to ensure that the process for determining the school's mascot and logo aligns with the district's policy on diversity, equity, and inclusion.

The Committee then agreed to forward the following **RECOMMENDATION** to the board:

THAT the Chairperson of the Policy Committee bring forward a Notice of Motion to the Board of Education at the May 20, 2026, regular meeting that a recommendation for the board's consideration will be presented at the June 17, 2026 public meeting to approve revised ***Policy 701.11-R: Naming and Renaming of Schools and District Facilities.***

4. Status of Current and Anticipated Items

A Status of Current and Anticipated Items was attached to the agenda package. In response to a question from the President of the Richmond Teachers' Association, the Superintendent clarified that the anticipated policies listed in the status document are subject to change should emergent matters arise.

5. Next Meeting Date – Monday, June 8, 2026 at 11:00 am.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:14 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Debbie Tabolotney
Chairperson, Policy Committee*