

# Policy Committee Public Meeting Minutes

# Tuesday, November 14, 2023 – 11:00 am Via Zoom

#### **Present:**

Chairperson D. Tablotney Vice Chairperson H. Larson **Trustee Member** D. Yang Trustee Alternate R. Belleza Trustee A. Wong Superintendent C. Usih **Deputy Superintendent** R. Ryan C. Wang Secretary Treasurer **Assistant Superintendent** C. Brautigam President, Richmond Association of School Administrators G. Fitt President, Canadian Union of Public Employees 716 S. Robinson Chairperson, Richmond Management and Professional Staff K. Gibson 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 handaminam 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 October 16, 2023 were approved as circulated.

### 3. Policy 102: Diversity and Inclusion

Assistant Superintendent Brautigam shared an update on the revision process for Policy 102. There were no further questions or comments.

### 4. Policy 402/402-R: Public Interest Disclosure Policy

The Secretary Treasurer provided a summary of Policy 402/402-R and 402-G. She then responded to a question from the CUPE President on details of the proposed employee training on Public Interest Disclosure.

The Secretary Treasurer also responded to a trustee's question on post-investigation process if the discloser is not satisfied with the investigation. Discussion also ensued on legal protection for the discloser against reprisals and for the respondent against potential defamation.

Following discussion, the Committee 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 its November 22, 2023 public meeting that a recommendation for the board's consideration will be presented at the December 20, 2023 public meeting to approve Policy 402/402-R: Public Interest Disclosure.

# 5. Status of Current and Anticipated Items

An updated status document was provided with the agenda package.

6. Next Meeting Date – Monday, December 11, 2023 at 11:00 am.

# 7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:27 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Tablotney Chairperson, Policy Committee