

Education Committee Public Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 11, 2026 – 6:00 pm
Via Zoom

Present:

Chairperson	D. Yang
Trustee Member	R. Belleza
Alternate Member	A. Wong
Superintendent	C. Usih
Assistant Superintendent	M. Naser
Director of Instruction	B. Douglas
District Administrator	L. Chau
President, Richmond Teachers' Association	L. Baverstock
Vice President, Richmond Teachers' Association	S. Boljuncic
Representative, Richmond Association of School Administrators	L. Leung
Representative, Richmond Association of School Administrators	A. Pikkarainen
1 st Vice President, Canadian Union of Public Employees 716	N. Williams
President, Richmond District Parents' Association	C. Huang
Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)	J. Coronel

Regrets:

Vice-Chairperson	H. Larson
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The Richmond Board of Education acknowledged and thanked the First Peoples of the hən̓q̓əmiñəm language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

1. Adopt Agenda

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

2. Approve Minutes

The minutes of the public meeting held Wednesday, January 14, 2026, were approved as circulated.

3. Staff Presentation

Literacy: Supporting Data Informed Instructional Practice

Assistant Superintendent Naser provided an overview of the presentation and introduced Director of Instruction Douglas and District Administrator Chau, who presented on the following:

- Literacy Initiatives from the Ministry of Education and Child Care
- Data Informed Instructional Practices
- Literacy Support Across the District

In response to a trustee's questions, Director of Instruction Douglas explained how the district ensures consistency in instructional practice, and how instructional data is aligned with the district's strategic goals. She also noted that ministry funding is allocated to support in-service training and professional development for teachers.

The President of Richmond District Parents Association inquired on how parents can access information about their child's literacy development. Director of Instruction Douglas advised that information about their child's literacy skills can be found on their FSA and GLA results, and for locally developed tools, she encouraged parents to speak with the teacher regarding their child's literacy assessment.

The President of Richmond Teachers' Association expressed her appreciation for the district's work on literacy and highlighted the importance of Curriculum and Assessment, as well as the role of teacher consultants in supporting the district's strategic plan.

4. Next Meeting Date – Wednesday April 15, 2026 at 6:00 pm

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

*David Yang
Chairperson, Education Committee*