

Board of Education
School District 54 (*Bulkley Valley*)

INAUGURAL MEETING

1.110

POLICY

The board shall hold its inaugural meeting on a date that ensures compliance with Section 49 of the *School Act* and, if possible, Policy 1.120 Regular Meetings which states that regular meetings take place on the third (3rd) Tuesday of each month.

VALUES

In its consideration of this policy, the Board of Education has been guided by its responsibility and respect for a fair, open and transparent governance process.

PROCEDURAL RULES

1. The term of office of a trustee elected at a general school election begins on the first Monday after December 1 following the election or when the person takes office in accordance with section 50(3), whichever is later.
2. A person elected or appointed as a trustee must make a prescribed oath of office, by oath or solemn affirmation, within the following applicable time limit;
 - a. In the case of a person elected by acclamation, within 50 days after the date set for general voting day had an election by voting been required
 - b. In the case of a person elected by voting, within 45 days after the declaration of the results of the election.
3. Section 136 of the *Local Government Act* prescribes that a declaration of the official results must be announced before 4 p.m. on the 4th day following the close of general voting (but subject to any judicial recounts).
4. The Secretary Treasurer shall preside at the inaugural meeting until such time as a new Chairperson is elected (see Policy 1.160).
5. The Secretary Treasurer shall administer the prescribed Oath of Office by oath or solemn affirmation to new trustees.
6. Following the administration of the oath of office, the newly elected board shall elect a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, BCPSEA representative, and BCSTA provincial counsellor consistent with Policy 1.160 Annual Elections.

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