

50 Inaugural Meetings

- 50.1 The Secretary-Treasurer for the school district shall convene a first meeting of the Board within thirty (30) days from November 1 immediately following a general local election.
- 50.2 The Secretary-Treasurer shall announce the results of trustee elections and confirm that all trustees have completed the declaration and taken the oath of office as required by the *School Act*.
- 50.3 The Secretary-Treasurer shall call for nominations for Board Chair (seconding is not necessary) and conduct a vote by ballot in which that person receiving a clear majority shall be elected Board Chair for the ensuing year. When a trustee cannot be present in person but is participating in the meeting via telephone or other electronic means, the Chair may permit all trustees to vote by electronic ballot, in a manner that preserves the secrecy of the ballot. If no person receives a clear majority, further ballots shall be taken until the same is achieved or, if after a second ballot a tie shall occur, the election shall be decided by drawing lots.
- 50.4 The Chair so elected shall assume the chair for the remainder of the meeting.
- 50.5 The Board shall proceed to elect a Vice-Chair, a BC Public School Employers' Association representative and a BC Trustees' Association representative in the same manner as the election of the Chair.
- 50.6 Following the elections the order of business shall be:
- (a) passage of banking resolutions and appointment of signing officers;
 - (b) appointment of time and place for meetings.

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