

**SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 73 (KAMLOOPS/THOMPSON)  
BYLAW No. 403**

Effective Date, June 23, 2008

**TRUSTEE ELECTIONS BYLAW**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 73 (KAMLOOPS/THOMPSON)**

A Bylaw to provide for the determination of various procedures for the conduct of general school elections and other trustee elections.

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Under the *School Act* the Board of Education may, by Bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied in the conduct of trustee elections.

Pursuant to Section 37 of the School Act, RSBC 1996, Ch.412, as amended from time to time, trustee elections in the following trustee election areas are the responsibility of the following authorities:

<u>TRUSTEE ELECTORAL AREA</u>	<u># TRUSTEES</u>	<u>AUTHORITY</u>
1) Kamloops, being the City of Kamloops as defined in the British Columbia Gazette dated April 22, 1976.	5	City of Kamloops
2) North Thompson, being Electoral areas "A" and "B" of Thompson Nicola Regional District as defined in the British Columbia Gazette dated December 6, 1984, including the District of Clearwater.	1	Board of Education of School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson)
3) Barriere/Little Fort, being Electoral area "O" of Thompson Nicola Regional District as defined in the British Columbia Gazette dated December 6, 1984, including the District of	1	Board of Education of School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson)

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| 4) | Chase, being Electoral area "L" and "P" of Thompson Nicola Regional District as defined in the British Columbia Gazette dated December 6, 1984, including the Village of Chase.    | 1 | Board of Education of School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson) |
| 5) | Logan Lake, being Electoral area "J" of Thompson Nicola Regional District as defined in the British Columbia Gazette dated February 7, 1991, including the District of Logan Lake. | 1 | Board of Education of School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson) |

The Board of Education wishes to establish various procedures and requirements under the authority of the *School Act* for trustee elections.

1. **DEFINITIONS**

The terms used shall have the meanings assigned by the *School Act* and the *Local Government Act* except as otherwise indicated.

**"BOARD"**

means the Board of Education of School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson);

**"GENERAL LOCAL ELECTION"**

means the elections held for all trustees of the Board which must be held in 2008 and every third year after that;

**"GENERAL VOTING DAY"** means:

- a) for a general local election, the third Saturday of November in the year of the election;
- b) for other elections, dates as established pursuant to *Section 45* of the *School Act*.

2. **APPLICATION**

This Bylaw applies to both general elections and by-elections and to those trustee elections carried out by other authorities, except as otherwise indicated.

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3. **ORDER OF NAMES ON BALLOT**

The order of names of candidates on the ballot shall be alphabetical.

4. **RESOLUTION OF TIE VOTES AFTER JUDICIAL RECOUNT**

In the event of a tie vote after a judicial recount, the tie vote will be resolved by conducting a lot.

5. **NUMBER OF QUALIFIED NOMINATORS**

The minimum number of qualified nominators for a trustee candidate for Trustee Electoral Area 1 is as established by the bylaws of the City of Kamloops; or, if no number is so established, is two (2). The minimum number of qualified nominators for a trustee candidate in Trustee Electoral Areas 2-5, is two (2).

6. **APPLICATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BYLAWS**

- a) Where a local government is required by the *School Act* to conduct a trustee election for the Board, or the Board enters into an agreement with a local government to conduct a trustee election for the Board, the elections bylaws of that local government and not this elections bylaw, apply to any trustee election carried out under that agreement.
- b) Paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of this Bylaw apply to elections carried out by a local government for the Board.

7. **ELECTIONS CONDUCTED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD**

The following provisions apply to those trustee elections which the Board conducts on its own behalf:

7.1 **VOTER LISTS**

- a) As authorized by the *School Act* and the *Local Government Act*, at each election, electors who wish to vote must register at the time of voting;
- b) Registration as a voter under paragraph (a) is effective only for the election for which the voting is being conducted at that time.

7.2 **ADVANCE VOTING OPPORTUNITIES**

- i) An advance voting opportunity will be established on the tenth day before

the general voting day;

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- ii) Unless exempted by the *Local Government Act* or the *School Act*, a second advance voting opportunity will be established on the third day before the general voting day.

### **7.3 ADDITIONAL ADVANCE VOTING OPPORTUNITIES**

The Board authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish additional advance voting opportunities for each election to be held in advance of the general voting day and to designate the voting places, the date and the voting hours for these voting opportunities.

### **7.4 ADDITIONAL GENERAL VOTING OPPORTUNITIES**

The Board authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish additional general voting opportunities for general voting day for each election and to designate the voting places and the voting hours within the limits set out in the *Local Government Act*.

### **7.5 SPECIAL VOTING OPPORTUNITIES**

The Board authorizes the Chief Election Officer, at his/her discretion, to establish special voting opportunities for each election and to designate the location, the date, and the voting hours within the limits set out in the *Local Government Act*.

### **7.6 NUMBER OF SCRUTINEERS AT VOTING PLACES**

The number of scrutineers for each candidate that may attend an election is a maximum of one per voting place plus one for each ballot box in use.

## **8. VOTING DIVISION**

Trustees representing the City of Kamloops shall be elected at large without regard to division boundaries as they may occur from time to time.

## **9. PUBLIC ACCESS TO ELECTION DOCUMENTS**

- 9.1 The Board authorizes posting of nomination documents of trustee candidates on the website of School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson) and on the websites of the District of Barriere, Village of Chase, District of Clearwater, District of Logan Lake and the Thompson Nicola Regional District until thirty (30) days after declaration of the election results.

- 9.2 The Board authorizes but does not require the chief election officers to post nomination documents of trustee candidates for public access on any or all of the websites of the City of Kamloops, District of Barriere, Village of Chase, District of Clearwater, District of Logan Lake and the Thompson Nicola Regional District until such time as established by the bylaws of the relevant local government.

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- 9.3 The Board authorizes posting of trustee candidates' campaign financing disclosure statements and declarations and supplementary statements and declarations on the website of School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson) until one year from general voting day.
- 9.4 The Board authorizes but does not require chief elections officers to post campaign financing disclosure statements for public access on any or all of websites of the City of Kamloops, District of Barriere, Village of Chase, District of Clearwater, District of Logan Lake and the Thompson Nicola Regional District, until such time as established by the bylaws of the relevant local government.

10. **TITLE**

This Bylaw may be cited as "School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson) Trustee Elections Bylaw No. 403".

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