School District 42
Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows
Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

Board Meeting Highlights
October 7, 2026

Presentation: Board Chairperson Report 2025/26

Board Chairperson Yamamoto presented the Annual Report of the Chairperson 2025/26 on behalf of the Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows Board of Education. The report highlighted the board's work over the past year in key areas, including governance and policy development, financial stewardship, advocacy for public education, and progress on major capital projects.

Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) for 2025/26

The board approved the *Statement of Financial Information* for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2026, for submission to the Ministry of Education and Child Care. The full report is available on the school district website at https://www.sd42.ca/financial-information/.

Policy Development

The board approved *Policy 4100 Financial and Asset Stewardship,* which consolidates the following four operational policies, and approved their retirement upon implementation of the associated administrative procedures:

- *Policy 4101 General Banking*
- *Policy 4105 Investments*
- *Policy 4110 Revenue Generation*
- *Policy 5310 Disposal of Surplus Assets*

The board also approved revisions to *Policy 5400 Student Transportation Provided by the District, Policy 8912 Independent Directed Studies,* and *Policy 9325 Education Programs for Non-Residents.*

Freedom of Information Request

Board Chairperson Yamamoto provided an update on the board's Freedom of Information (FOI) request to the Ministry of Education and Child Care regarding the allocation of CommunityLINK funding. The update outlined the steps taken since the request was submitted in January 2026, including efforts to obtain records responsive to the original request. The ministry's search for records is ongoing.

Superintendent's Update

Superintendent Downs opened her update by recognizing Maple Ridge Secondary School chef Trevor Randall, who received a Certificate of Achievement as part of the 2026 Prime Minister's Awards for Teaching Excellence.

The superintendent then reflected on the work of the Board of Education over its four-year term, highlighting initiatives supporting student well-being and belonging, investments in school facilities and learning environments, and work undertaken in the areas of governance, accessibility, inclusion and reconciliation. She also highlighted continued improvements in six-year graduation rates across student groups.

In closing, Superintendent Downs acknowledged the board's leadership, advocacy, and commitment to public education throughout its term, thanking trustees for their vision and oversight.

The inaugural meeting of the Board of Education will be at 4:00 p.m. on November 4, 2026.