



FROM THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE BOARD November 5, 2018

Elected by acclamation by fellow trustees, **Kathleen Karpuk** is the new **Chair** of the Kamloops-Thompson Board of Education. A Kamloops resident for more than 25 years, she has served as a trustee since 2008 (re-elected in 2011 and 2014). She and her husband have three children enrolled in Kamloops schools.

Rhonda Kershaw, the trustee representing Barriere-Little Fort, was acclaimed as **Vice Chair** at the inaugural meeting for the 2018-2022 Board of Education on November 5, 2018.

“School District 73 has seen excellent governance over the years and it is with great confidence that the staff and students of our District look to you to continue that strong tradition,” said **Alison Sidow**, Superintendent of Schools, as she welcomed the new trustees.

“On behalf of all employees, congratulations to each of you. As we move forward together over the next four years, I look forward to working with you all to achieve our collective vision.”

Trustees also selected representatives to sit on the two provincial associations.

Trustee **Shelley Sim** was acclaimed as representative for the **BC School Trustees Association** (BCSTA), while **Rhonda Kershaw** was unanimously elected as representative for **BC Public School Employers Association** (BCPSEA).

The five trustees elected by majority vote in **Area 1** - Kamloops were:

1. **Heather Grieve**
2. **Kathleen Karpuk**
3. **John O’Fee**
4. **Joseph Small**
5. **Meghan Wade**

The four rural trustees elected were:

1. **Shelley Sim** was elected by acclamation for **Area 2** - North Thompson
2. **Rhonda Kershaw** was elected by acclamation for **Area 3** - Barriere-Little Fort
3. **Diane Jules** was elected by majority vote in **Area 4** - Chase
4. **Cara McKelvey** was elected by acclamation for **Area 5** - Logan Lake