



SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Meeting: October 26, 2022 – Regular Board of Education Meeting

Category: Business Item

Subject: Declaration of Vacancy: Board of Education Seat B

RECOMMENDATION

It is the administration's recommendation that the School Board declare Seat B vacant.

PERTINENT FACTS:

The candidate elected to fill Seat B in the October 4, 2022 election has declined the position, as explained in her letter of October 25, 2022. Board Bylaw 9223 identifies "*The School Board may declare a regional school board seat vacant if the person elected: ...2. refuses to take office...*" Additionally, the BB 9223 states, "*a vacancy on the Board shall be filled within 30 days by Board appointment. When making an appointment, the Board desires to draw from the widest possible number of candidates.*"

The Board shall:

- 1. Advertise the vacancy in suitable local media.*
- 2. Solicit applications or nominations of any legally qualified citizen interested in serving on the Board.*
- 3. Provide candidates with appropriate information regarding Board member responsibilities.*
- 4. Announce names of candidates and accept public input either in writing or at a public meeting.*
- 5. Interview the candidates at a public meeting.*
- 6. Select the provisional appointee by majority vote at a public meeting.*

The person appointed shall hold office until the next regularly scheduled election for district Board members and shall be afforded all the powers and duties of a Board member upon appointment."

Seat B is in Section 1. To be eligible, a candidate must reside and be registered to vote in one of the towns within Section 1, which includes the following communities and areas: Hyder, Area South of Hyder, Kasaan, Thorne Bay, and the Area East of Thorne Bay.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Declare Seat B vacant and advertise for eligible candidates.