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YEARLY ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR OF THE BOARD

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At a special public board meeting held on Tuesday, August 30, 2016, the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) held nominations and elections for the positions of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Board.

Trustee Eve Flynn was once again acclaimed to the position of **Chairperson** of the Board of Education. Ms. Flynn has served as a trustee in the District since 2002 and this will be her third year as Chairperson since her re-election for a fifth term as a trustee in our District.

Trustee Jacob Gair, who is serving his first term as a trustee, was elected to the position of **Vice Chairperson**.

A word of thanks goes to outgoing Vice Chairperson, Elaine Young, for her committed service in this position over the last year.

The Board of Education is anticipating a very interesting year as the District continues to pursue the priorities outlined in its Strategic Plan while undertaking the transformation agenda established for the public education system by the Ministry of Education.

Superintendent Rollie Koop stated, "The senior leadership team of the District is excited about the pathway forward as we seek to implement the vision articulated in the BC Education Plan while working to move forward on the priorities and policies established by our local Board of Education. The balance of experience and youth that Trustees Flynn and Gair will bring to the work of facilitating Board activity will be unique in our province. We wish them well in these positions of responsibility."

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