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New chair and vice-chair to lead Comox Valley Schools board

Comox Valley, B.C. – Comox Valley Schools is pleased to announce trustee Shannon Aldinger has been acclaimed as board chair and trustee Jennifer Fisher as vice-chair for the next year.

“I am honoured to have the confidence of my colleagues and look forward to building on the work of the last board in a good way,” said Board Chair Shannon Aldinger. “I look forward to listening and working alongside our Rightsholders, partner groups, staff and families to support our students by continuing to create safe, equitable, compassionate and connected learning environments that lift each learner to thrive, grow and share their unique gifts.”

The selections were made at the Nov. 10, 2026, public board meeting. While school trustees are elected every four years, the board selects its chair, vice-chair and representatives to provincial education organizations annually.

Trustee Kendall Packham was declared the BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) board representative, with Trustee Laurel Rankin serving as alternate.

Trustee Chelsea McCannel-Keene was declared the BC Public School Employers’ Association (BCPSEA) board representative, with Trustee Michelle Waite serving as alternate.

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Top row, from left: new trustees Laurel Rankin, Kendall Packham, Nicole Bergot and Jennifer Fisher. Bottom row, from left: returning trustees Chelsea McCannel-Keene, Shannon Aldinger and Michelle Waite.