

Dear Members of Maple Ridge Christian School Society,

The Board of Directors is bringing forward a revised set of bylaws for member approval at our upcoming General Meeting. These changes represent an update from the 2018 bylaws of the Haney-Pitt Meadows Christian School Association to the present 2025 Maple Ridge Christian School bylaws. The revisions reflect our continued growth as a Christ-centred school community and bring greater clarity, unity, and alignment to our governance.

Why the Changes?

- To update the Society's name and align with our current identity.
- To simplify and strengthen our membership structure.
- To clarify the role of the Lead Principal within governance.
- To modernize our voting, borrowing, and dispute resolution processes in line with current laws.
- To reaffirm our Foundational Statements as central to membership and Board service.

Key Changes Requiring Member Approval

1. **Society Name:** Officially changed to *Maple Ridge Christian School*.

2. Membership:

- One category of membership for simplification.
- Annual declaration affirming the Foundational Statements and Community Standards.
- Annual membership fee enhanced from \$50 per family to \$25 per member.
- Membership lapses after 4 months if fees are not paid.



3. Board of Directors:

- Lead Principal remains a director but without voting rights, maintaining a healthy distinction between governance and administration.
- Each director serves in one officer role at a time, ensuring clear focus and accountability. If needed, a director may temporarily assist in a second officer role on an interim basis for up to three months.
- The board upholds high standards of integrity and conduct. With a two-thirds vote, the board may take appropriate action, including suspension or removal, to preserve trust and good governance.

4. Borrowing & Financial Powers:

 Board may secure emergency borrowing up to 10% of the annual budget without prior member approval and must disclose at the next general meeting of the society.

5. Dispute Resolution:

Updated to the 2020 Arbitration Act and includes a Board-provided mediator list.

Your Role as Members

These proposed bylaws are important for the continued health of the school and the care of our students. Adoption requires a Special Resolution (75% approval of those voting) with a copy of the resolutions included below.

We encourage all members to review the summary of changes (as noted above) and vote online before the meeting. The voting link will be sent in a separate email early the week of November 17 or you can vote at the General Meeting in person. A copy of the existing bylaws along with the revised bylaws are included in this package.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to the mission of Maple Ridge Christian School. Your voice and vote are vital as we steward the future of our school together in our pursuit to bring Glory to God.





Resolution #1 - Name Change

"WHEREAS the directors have recommended a special resolution to the members that Haney-Pitt Meadows Christian School Association (the "Society") change its name to Maple Ridge Christian School, which name is reserved in the office of the Registrar of Companies;

BE IT RESOLVED BY SPECIAL RESOLUTION PASSED BY 75% OF THE **VOTES CAST** that the name of the Society be changed from "Haney-Pitt Meadows Christian School Association" to "Maple Ridge Christian School" and that the constitution and bylaws of the Society be altered accordingly."

Resolution #2 - Bylaw Amendment - General

"WHEREAS:

- A. The directors of Haney-Pitt Meadows Christian School Association (the "Society") have resolved to amend the bylaws of the Society as being in the best interests of the Society; and
- B. The proposed amendments to the bylaws and the new form of bylaws do not include amendments to Part 16 of the current bylaws, so the bylaws of the Society and the Societies Act require a special resolution of the members of the Society passed by at least 75% of votes cast to amend the Society's bylaws in accordance with sections 24b and 57 of the current bylaws;

BE IT RESOLVED BY SPECIAL RESOLUTION PASSED BY 75% OF THE VOTES CAST:

- 1. The existing bylaws of the Society as filed with the Registrar of Companies on May 22, 2018, be cancelled and the form of bylaws presented to the members be adopted as the bylaws of the Society in substitution for, and to the exclusion of the existing bylaws of the Society to be effective as of the date of filing with the Registrar of Companies; and
- Any one of the directors, officers, or senior managers of the Society is authorized to take all such actions and execute and deliver all such documentation necessary or desirable for the implementation of this resolution and the filing of the amended bylaws."



In Christ's service, **Board of Directors** Maple Ridge Christian School