



# SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

**June 15, 2005**

### **New Administrative Appointments Announced**

The Howe Sound Board of School Trustees is pleased to announce the appointment of two new school principals and the transfer of two others.

Howe Sound Secondary Principal Peter Hotston is retiring after 31 years of service with the district and will be replaced by Nancy Campbell who has taught at both the elementary and secondary levels. She has been a Vice-Principal in the Vancouver School District for the past five years, working at Templeton and Churchill Secondary Schools. She is fluent in French and her experience includes working in a French Immersion school. She has also worked at schools with significant First Nations populations. Mrs. Campbell has a Masters of Education Degree in Administration and Instruction and a Bachelor of Arts with a French Language Major, both from UBC.

Patricia MacKenzie, who is returning to the district after a six-year absence, has been appointed Principal of Signal Hill Elementary. Ms. MacKenzie is currently the Principal of J.S. Clark Elementary in Fort Nelson. Ms. MacKenzie served as a teacher in our district from 1989 to 1999. She is an accomplished educational leader with a proven ability to build strong relationships with staff, students, parents and educational partners, including First Nations communities. Ms. MacKenzie has a Masters of Education Degree in Curriculum and Instruction and a Bachelor of Arts with a major in History, both from UBC.

The Board also approved a transfer request by Signal Hill Principal Paul Lorette, appointing him principal of Brackendale Elementary. The current principal of Brackendale, Ian Kent, also had his request for a transfer approved. He has been appointed Principal of Mamquam Elementary, replacing Principal Jeff Larcombe who is retiring after 37 years with the district, 29 as principal.

Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Rick Erickson expressed his deep appreciation for the contribution Mr. Hotston and Mr. Larcombe made to the district and wished them a happy and healthy, well earned retirement. Dr. Erickson said. "I am confident Mrs. Campbell and Ms. MacKenzie will provide the kind of leadership that will further enhance our growing reputation as one of the leading school districts in B.C."

All four appointments are effective August 1, 2005.

Doug Hackett, Chairman  
School District No. 48 (Howe Sound)