

Debbie Tablotney - Resume

School Board Trustee six terms

While a trustee is only required to attend monthly meetings, Trustees are asked to participate on additional committees. In the 21 years Debbie has served on the Board she has been both Chair and Vice Chair of the Board. Has hired 4 different superintendents and has chaired and participated on numerous committees including:

Education	Building & Facilities
Personnel & Finance	Vision Mission Values working group
Policy chair 8 yrs	BCSTA Provincial councilor
Audit	Code of Conduct working group
Strengthening music committee	Budget Development Advisory
Council / Board liaison	
Indigenous advisory committee	SOGI policy working group

Attends 1-3 grads per year to hand out scholarships
Main organizer for school board participation in Canada Day (2006+) and Vancouver Pride parades (2018+).

School Committees

Austin Harris Parent rep / Westwind PAC 1989-91 (3years)
Achievement: pressed the school board to keep their neighborhood school open. The school was closed but the decision was reversed after the city elections removed the previous board at election time. From this evolved the school closure process so that all parents have an opportunity to express their concerns.

Westwind PAC – Parent education coordinator 1991-92 (2 years)

Westwind PAC Chairperson 1993- 96 (4 years)

Achievement: was instrumental in getting Kindercare into Westwind school. This was only the 2nd Kindercare in Richmond school district at the time. There are now over 50 daycares in Richmond.

London Music Society board of directors 1998-2000 (3 years)
- VP / President (for London School)

Richmond Youth Concert Band board of directors 2004-2008 (5 years)
- 3 as treasurer

McNeill Dry Grad Committee – fundraising and entertainment 2007 – 2008

Community Committees and participation

President Parent babysitting Coop 1988-1989 (2 years)

Minato Play school board of directors -VP & President 1988-1989 (2 years)

Traffic Safety committee for Westwind 1996-1999 (4 years)

**Award -received a certificate of appreciation
from the RCMP**

1999

RDPA Global traffic safety & speed watch committee

1996

Founding member of Westwind Neighborhood Watch Formed special Neighborhood Watch committee to address rampant school vandalism	1994-1997 (4 years) 1996
Achievement: lowered crime in the neighborhood and vandalism at the school.	
Founding member and board of directors for CHADD (Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder)	1990-1995 (6 years)
Achievement: raised the profile of ADHD children in the Richmond school system. Assisted the Richmond school district in becoming a leader in identifying and providing services for ADHD children. Helped parents to find services and medical professionals to assist them with diagnosis and advocacy for their children in the school system.	
Scouts - board of directors - treasurer	1996-1998 (3 years)
Richmond Sunrise Rotarian member	2005-2026
President	2025-26
- 2 years as treasurer / Auction & projects committee	
- Interact contact for Richmond schools	2012-2024
- Travelled to Mexico to assist and repair a school in Chapala	2026
Board of directors for Curtis Dream – local chapter of Moms Stop the Harm. Involved lobbying the provincial and petitioned the federal governments for changes in dealing with the ongoing overdose crisis.	2023-2026
Achievement: Managed to get both governments to change how and the way they advertise about the drug crisis.	
Family Place board of directors	2006 – 2008 (3 years)
Achievement: helped secure new up-to-date facilities to house and expand their programs	
founding director for Steveston Thrift Shop	2026
-raising funds to support local charities and Rotaries.	
Have already donated to Richmond Give Richmond Cares / Pathways Clubhouse / Aspire Richmond \ Richmond Food bank	
Toastmasters	2006 – 2007
- 1 year as treasurer	
Award - Competent communicator award for exceptional achievements for having completed the Toastmaster International Communication Program	2007
Richmond District parents Association board of directors	2007- 2008 (3 years)
- 1 year as Treasurer	
Rick Hansen Man in Motion committee	2004-2007 (4 years)
Sponsor of ICBC Road Sense speakers and dry grad events to Richmond High Schools through her ownership of the family insurance agency	2003-2008 (6 years)
Achievement: sponsored many speakers to talk to students about the perils of driving, drinking and drugs	

Family insurance business sponsored Pathways Clubhouse and Richmond food Bank	2015-2026
Achievement: received formal recognition at Pathways banquet for the many years of community service	2021
Member of BC Regiment marching band - board of director for 1 year	1998-2006 (9 years)
With the regimental band - attended the 60 th anniversary of the freeing of Holland with the original regiment members in May 2005 performing at 2 graveyard ceremonies and the parade in Appledorm in front of a 100,000 residents	
Travelled to Costa Rica as a parent volunteer for school field trip to help build a preschool in the village of LaCarpia	2006
Sunday school teacher	1998-2018
Church council for 2 years - 1 year as treasurer	2006-2007
Church band	2004-2006
Vacation bible school teacher	2003-2004
With her husband has helped arrange the local fireworks display in neighborhood - had up to 250 parents and children watching at times serving hot chocolate and donuts at her home before the event.	
Achievement: between the Westwind Neighborhood Watch and the fireworks display Westwind school suffered minimal vandalism damage during halloween.	

Education / Personal Development

Insurance Agents license	1984
Reiki - completed certification for Reiki practitioner – Master level - teaches others Reiki	2007
Political Activism or better known as “don’t upset mother bear” -Was part of a small group of parents who were instrumental in changing school board policy on how the board communicated with the public in general and more specifically to get the board to develop a school closure process that the board must follow when closing a neighborhood school.	1988-1991
<u>Achievement:</u> Nominated for Richmond Volunteer of the Year	2007
Nominated for Etthel Tibbets award	2009
Rotary Paul Harris Fellowship	2017
Pathways award for the years of community service	2021

Hobbies:

Took up the piano at the tender age of 34	1992
Took up running in 1999 - has done numerous 10 K's, 20+ half marathons and 1 marathon.	
Enjoys biking – participated in the Ride to Conquer Cancer with the Brainiac team for 11 years from 2013 – 2024.	
Yoga / Gardening	