

Delta School Trustee Candidate Responses

Name: Amar Hundal

1. Why do you want to be a school trustee? What do you understand the role of a trustee to be?

I want to bring my experience, perspective and skills to the board to help make good decisions for students. My background in youth sports, coaching, and mentoring kids, along with my community connections, will be an asset.

2. Delta staff are committed to including all children and families. How will you support Delta staff in creating inclusive school communities?

The board should support educators with the resources and training needed to make inclusion work. Teachers and support staff are essential to a successful inclusive school.

3. Delta staff are learning about decolonization and reconciliation. How will you support Delta staff in our supportive role?

As a trustee, I would support the work already underway and listen to local First Nations, families and students to ensure reconciliation is reflected in how we teach.

4. Due to underfunding in the system, violence has become more prevalent. How will you commit to providing a safe and healthy working and learning environment for students and staff?

If elected, I will work to re-establish a health and wellness committee to keep staff well being an ongoing priority. I want to collaborate with teachers to advocate Victoria for more funding.

5. How would you propose to alleviate the current EA staffing shortage and improve recruitment and retention?

I would support stronger recruitment into EA training, mentorship for new hires and advocate for sustainable provincial funding so Delta can provide support students need.

6. Given that funding is limited, what are your budget priorities for the Delta School District?

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As a trustee, I wouldn't come to the board with a shopping list. My priority will be putting students at the centre of budget decisions, building on Delta's fiscal record, being transparent about spending, investing wisely in staff and student supports.

- 7. Currently, in Delta, decisions are made by trustees prior to the public Board meeting. Do you feel an obligation to make your decision-making process more transparent to the public and what steps will you take to ensure this?**

It's important to look at how decisions are made. As a new candidate, I'd want to fully understand those processes before suggesting they're inadequate. What I would push for is more meaningful two-way conversation throughout the year, not a consultation once a decision is already on the table, and clearer, plain language about what the board is deciding.