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## RDKS Board elects Chair and Vice-Chair for 2024

The Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine (RDKS) held its inaugural meeting on November 17, 2023. Electoral Area B Director Cyra Yunkws was elected as Chair and Electoral Area A Director Eric Nyce was elected as Vice-Chair.

"I am keen to continue working with our Board and staff," said Chair Yunkws. "I am grateful for this opportunity to represent the residents of this regional district and I am excited to move forward on our strategic plan."

The RDKS Board extends thanks to the outgoing Chair, Kitimat Mayor Phil Germuth, and to the outgoing Vice-Chair, Electoral Area C Director Bruce Bidgood. Both will continue to serve as Directors.

The RDKS Board of Directors consists of 12 individuals; six Electoral Area Directors elected to represent residents in rural areas, and six Directors who are appointed annually from their respective municipal councils (councillors or mayors). The Board and RDKS staff work together to provide regional services and advocate for the needs of all regional district residents.

Provincial legislation requires regional district Boards to hold annual elections to elect one Director to serve as Board Chair and one Director to serve as Board Vice-Chair. These elections take place at the inaugural meeting, the first Board meeting after November 1<sup>st</sup> each year.

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