

As an eminent public servant and a gentleman in the truest sense of that word, John Roger Meredith has committed a lifetime to public education in this province. During his career, he has provided the strong leadership needed in order to transform curriculum development in the public schools of British Columbia from a centralized function of the Ministry of Education to one in which teacher and scholars have come to play a significant role. In addition, John Meredith actively encouraged and strengthened professional development programs in the field of education so that the teachers of this province could effectively use new curricula; he supported the development of local educational programs which met the highest of standards, he was a strong proponent of the use of Canadian texts and course content, and he supported Canadian authors, long before such practice was recognized as important. His work as a senior official of the Ministry of Education has always been characterized by thoughtfulness, sensitivity, good sound judgment, and the insight necessary to generate practical, widely accepted solutions to the important problems that have faced our public schools.

— Ministry of Education, he has been involved in