

**Winston Churchill High School
School Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 23, 2022
7 p.m. – Learning Commons**

7:10 Meeting commenced.

1. Land Acknowledgement

Tracy Wong – the importance with relationships (land and each other)

2. Welcome & Introductions

Lindsay Graham, Dr. Cheryl Gilmore, Kristy Nelson, Kelsey Walker, Linsey Mabie, Charlene Kitt, Shelley Roest, Derian Roest, Genny Steed (trustee), (admin: Tracy, Jamie & Aaron)

3. Additions to agenda

No additions

4. Approval of agenda

Linsey Mabie motion to approve, Kelsey Walker second

5. Errors/omissions of the minutes

In the future, can they be sent out?

6. Approval of minutes

Motion to approve the minutes, Linsey Mabie, Kristy Nelson second

7. Business arising for minutes

Shelly R sent emails to city, and she will follow up with a phone call. Hasn't gotten back to her yet (regarding the cross walk).

Still looking for a secretary....please? Have them put their name forward. If the minutes are sent out prior, someone might be able to.

Checks from closed bank account are now with business manager Kristy

8. Trustee Report – Genny Steed

Lots of donations are coming in for division/schools, acknowledge that with the community.

City is considering a ward boundary system for voting; board is preparing if it is a possibility.

Town Hall (purpose to gather information and set the purpose for the board priorities for the year, to determine the workload with board, Dr. Cheryl Gilmore & executive council) Feb. 7, question: In what ways are we successfully helping students to grow as learners and where is there room for improvement? (Regarding learning)

Community engagement website, the question is usually left up for a week to provide feedback. Can be done anonymously (student, staff, parent, community member)

In person

Access the two questions after from the communication officer

Community Conversations: newer initiative from the board, they heard a lot from the people, they want additional opportunities for communication, the board offers their availability (2 trustees once a month), held off campus (not division property), no talking points, listen and talk to the questions from the community, rotate the time of day and where it's offered to meet needs of all different parents, they are announced at the board meeting, held one on Nov. 8. New one coming up Dec. 8 – YMCA –

4:5:30, kids welcome to come to play. This has been a positive experience. Sometimes a group discussion, sometimes individual conversation to hear people's thoughts/feedback/ask-answer questions. January 26 – 6:30-8 p.m. Boys & Girls Center (Northside)

9. Division School Council Report

Learning information on societies/& fundraising (at last meeting)

Technology director & communication officer for division apps and such, they will be at the next one to demonstrate & set up 6:30-7 (next meeting)

Brief discussion about Alberta School Council engagement grant; \$500; we should talk about it to see what we will be doing with ours

<https://www.letbsd.ab.ca/download/404072>

10. Student Report

No report. Amanda not here.

11. School Report

a. Graduation

- i. Grad photos are happening right now. Fully booked.
 1. January's photos are 5-minute quick sessions with cap & gown for the yearbook
 2. Email will come from Aaron if you need to book at Lifetouch studios
- ii. Grad hoodies. (Saga continues)
 1. Instagram, there was a kerfuffle. Another whole process to get quotes and such with a new design.
- iii. Instagram account: 2023.wchs.grad
- iv. Venue: talking with Robyn Sakamoto about Feature Productions for the sound and video; June 28 (a.m. for convocation; late afternoon/evening for the fun part). Fingers crossed!! The update for the official date will be sent out by Aaron as SOON as it is confirmed.

b. School Assurance Plan

- i. Handed out: feedback for issues/challenges.
 1. Assurance Measure: Citizenship. Page 1. The parent response was low (32) and an issue. (went down from 72.5% to 60.9%). Leave ideas with admin either tonight or through email.
 2. Domain: Learning Supports. Assurance Measure: welcoming, caring, respectful, safe learning environment
 3. Assurance Measure: parental involvement. Page 3.
 4. How can we improve?? Looking for feedback by Monday. (if later, still give it) Take it home and suggest what you think of.

c. SchoolGuide app (if you have more than one child, you can link the kids' schools)

d. Nursing Students

- i. 12 amazing students. It is wrapping up. Started off with round table discussions to support students better. 5 initiatives that came out of the round table: Healthy food/recipes. Stress management. Mental health/wellness. Depression/anxiety. Managing toxic situations. Have broken into groups of 4 to develop programs and ideas to help with these top 5. Healthy foods – rethink your drink (feeding plants with different fluids). Stress management – stress balls; positive messages on the sidewalk, inside. Mental health well-being –

looking at social media. Final report within the next 2 weeks. This group has been good!! They have been really APPRECIATED!!

- ii. Shelly shared about the Edmonton new links for presentations for Alberta School Councils sessions regarding mental health/relationships

e. Fine Arts/Sports

- i. Murder in the Heir – amazing! Shout out to them!!
- ii. Five Acts for the one act in the spring
- iii. Dec 5 – Winter concert at Southminister 7 p.m
- iv. Kade wants to do a trip to Edmonton for band & choral

12. Adjournment: 8:23 p.m.

13. Next meeting – Wednesday, January 25, 2023