



## Winston Churchill School Council Meeting **MINUTES**

January 22, 2025

7:06pm

WCHS Learning Commons

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### 1. **Welcome, Land Acknowledgement, and Introductions**

Land acknowledgement provided by Kira.

In attendance: Jamie Bach, Taryn Woods, JJ Ondrus, Tracy Wong, Lindsey Graham, Janine Primrose, Linsey Mabie, Kira Kinahan. Regrets: Lana Hansell, Pauline Hall, Shannon Trechka

### 2. **Additions to Agenda**

None.

### 3. **Approval of Agenda**

Janine motioned to approve, Linsey seconded. All in favour; carried.

### 4. **Approval of Minutes from November 27, 2024**

Linsey motioned to approve, Janine seconded. All in favour; carried.

### 5. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

None.

### 6. **School Report**

- Book study – Taryn
  - Considering interest in offering an in-person/online parent book study on “The Anxious Generation” by Jonathan Haidt. The book talks about the complex factors that form the anxiety that today’s teens face - kids are more sheltered in the real world and are taking more risks online.
  - Suggestion to have the school could build a resource library of books relevant to both parent and teen issues and have it available to students and at parent-teacher interviews, etc.
  - Parents invited to submit must-have titles to Tracy.
- Grad – Jamie
  - June 26, 2025 at VisitLethbridge.com arena
  - Parent info meeting March 12, 7:00pm in the Learning Commons where the schedule and events of the grad day will be communicated.
  - Student grad committee will be choosing the grad theme next Wednesday.
  - Grad updates will continue to be communicated to parents via email and to students via Teams.
  - Grad photo retakes are January 30 starting at 2:00pm

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- Welding shop – Tracy and Jamie
  - Groundbreaking ceremony Thursday, January 30 at 4:30pm in the WCHS cafeteria.
  - The construction schedule is expected to be ~23 weeks.
  - We have received a CWB grant to help pay for the renovations. The Province seems to be taking notice of private industry working with schools to provide opportunities for students.
  - Southland Trailer has provided extensive support through funding, grant application assistance, promotion, business support, connection with industry partners, and with the City around the permitting process. WCHS extends very grateful thank you to Southland as this would not have happened without them.
  - Welding is expected to become a course option for Grades 9-12 in September.
  
- IB Five-Year Review – community meeting Friday, February 28 2:30-3:00pm
  - The review has been going on for the last 6 months and this meeting is to celebrate and share findings and recommendations from the review.
  - Division staff members have been invited to learn about IB and WCHS will attend the March board meeting to talk about offering IB to all students in the City.
  
- Parent night – Thursday, March 20
  - Off-campus 6:00-6:45pm
  - High School Pathways & Selecting Courses 7:00-7:45pm

**7. Adjournment 7:50pm**

**8. Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 26, 2025**