

Winston Churchill School Council Meeting MINUTES

April 30, 2025

7:02pm

WCHS Learning Commons

1. Welcome, Land Acknowledgement, and Introductions

Land acknowledgement provided by Kira.

In attendance: Tracy Wong, Jamie Bach, Taryn Woods, Cynthia Young, Carly Gibson, Kira Kinahan, Aaron Becking, Lindsey Graham, Janine Primrose, Jody Henschel, Linsey Mabie

Regrets: Lana Hansell

2. Additions to Agenda

None.

3. Approval of Agenda

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

4. Approval of Minutes from March 26, 2025

With correction to the spelling of Shannon Trechka's name. Janine motioned to approve, Cynthia seconded. All in favour; carried.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

6. Division School Council - Cynthia Young

- ACSA was this past weekend.
- Technology & evergreening laptops purchased by one school's parent council.
- Discussion around budget.

7. School Report

- a) September Family BBQ Brainstorm/Feedback Tracy
 - Check for date conflicts with other schools before setting date in September.
 - Ideas for the night:
 - Move into gym (not hall) as backup in case of rain
 - Teacher signs/nametags
 - Parents go visit advisor's classroom
 - Scavenger hunt for WCHS swag
 - School map

- b) The International Baccalaureate Program Aaron
 - Five-year review just finished. 1.5-year process. Final piece was a 3-day school visit with stakeholders.
 - WCHS' chosen focus is growing the IB program.
 - Aaron & Tracy presented to the Board last night about the program. Board was open to supporting it.
 - Trying to move away from curriculum and skills focus. Perception has been that it is grades-focused/for a specific type of student. Are wanting to move away from that and focus on the whole person. Goal for 5 years from now is to have 70% of students take at least one IB class.
 - Could spend more time talking to parents & students at middle school level to increase knowledge about IB.

c) Grad - Aaron

- Speakers chosen, dance for the evening is set up.
- One more grad committee meeting next week.
- Grad is June 26th. Convocation 10:00 am, evening celebration & dance 6:30 -11:00 pm.
- No cost for tickets or parking at Enmax for the day.

d) Budget – Tracy

 Admin committee meeting tomorrow. Budgets were received Monday and needs to be balanced by May 6th.

8. Adjournment 7:47 pm

9. Next Meeting - Wednesday, May 28, 2025