



William Aberhart High School School Council



William Aberhart High School School Council Meeting Minutes: Monday February 24, 2025

Chair: Farouk Gillani	Principal: Christos Sagriotis	Assistant Principals: Sebastien Fournier, Michael Scott, Jocelyn Vryenhoek
Vice-Chair: Olga Tourin	Secretary: Tracy Duncan	Student rep: Rotating
Key Communicators: Gitte Julien, Tanis James	Teacher Rep: Rotating	Members at Large: Shelley Wiart, Lisa Gibson, Mike Van Wensem, Nicole Rossi

Attendees:

Farouk Gillani, Dawna Morrow, Josh Orzech, Shelley Wiart, Olga Tourin, Sandra, Darcy Cumming, Christina Wallace, Tracy Duncan, Parissa Gillani

1. Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM by Farouk G.
2. Consent Agenda reviewed. Motion to approve agenda and Jan 2025 meeting minutes by Tracy, seconded by Josh. Carried.
3. Land acknowledgment
4. Principal/Administration update

CUPE Strike Update

- On Feb. 19, 2025, CUPE Local 40 served 72-hour strike notice to the CBE. This means that the union will withdraw services beginning Monday, Feb. 24, 2025.
- During strike action, **CBE is prioritizing in-person learning**. We are committed to supporting student learning and well-being while maintaining safe and welcoming school environments for students, staff and families
- **Key Message** - During strike action, **all CBE schools and buildings will remain open and classes will continue.**
- **School Hours** - There are **no changes to school start and end times.**



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CUPE Strike Update

- **After School** - To allow for cleaning after school hours, **students and staff will be asked to leave the school no later than 45 minutes after the end of the school day. - 4:15pm**
- **After School Activities** - Any athletic practices, fine arts rehearsals or other curricular activities will continue. **The goal is for these activities to end by 6 pm**
- **Cleaning** - We are committed to keeping schools safe for students and staff and complying with AHS guidelines and occupational health and safety regulations. **This means that schools will be cleaned after dismissal.**
- Please go to the following link for current Labour Action information from the CBE
 - <https://cbe.ab.ca/news-centre/Labour-Action/Pages/default.aspx>

Calendar

Friday, Feb 28

- No classes Non instructional Day

Friday, Feb 28j

- Wrestling City Championships
- @ Seven Chiefs Sports Plex

Monday, March 3 – Saturday, March 8

- Basketball playoffs

Thurs, March 20

- Last day before spring break
- P/T Conferences 4-8pm
- Being moved to Virtual

Friday, March 22

- P/T Conferences 9 – 12pm
- Virtual

Monday, March 31

- Classes Resume

Parent conferences March 20: Originally planned to be in-person, but if CUPE strike continues the conferences will be online.

5. School Council Update (Farouk G.):

- School council going online until CUPE strike resolved

6. Key Communicator update (Gitte Julien and Tanis James):

- ASCA meeting on Feb 24 (tonight)-Tanis attending. Topics:
 - The Alberta Assurance Framework and School Councils
 - The School Council/Trustee Relationship
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- ASCA Resolutions (below): We voted at the January parent council meeting to support resolution P25-01. Motion by Dawna to direct Gitte and Tanis to support the other 4 resolutions at the upcoming ASCA AGM. Seconded by Tracy. All in favor, carried.



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Resolution
P25-01 Pilot Program for Electric School Buses in Alberta
P25-02 Mandatory Funding for Specialist Teachers in Elementary Schools
P25-03 Sunlight is the Best Disinfectant – Mandatory Public Reporting on the State of Public Schools
P25-04 Discontinue Mandatory Timed Testing of Kindergarteners to Grade 3
P25-05 Online Safety
A25-01 Revise ASCA Advocacy Policy 24-05 Preserving Safe and Inclusive Spaces for 2SLGBTQIA+ Students

7. New Business:

- WAMPA relationship: WAMPA / Sandra from WAMPA is at our meeting. WAMPA is happy to work with us and will be attending our upcoming meetings.

8. Next meeting: March 31, 2025. Will be online unless we get an update from the school

9. Motion to adjourn at 7:26 pm by Christina Wallace, seconded by Tracy. All in Favour.
Adjourned.