

Wetaskiwin Composite High School

School Council

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Thursday, February 25th @ 7:00 pm

Meeting Minutes

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- 1. Welcome and opening remarks
- 2. Review of School Council Officials
 - 1. Chairperson: Heather Rasmuson
 - 2. Vice Chairperson: Steve Bredlow
 - 3. Secretary: Myra Maciborsky
- 3. Minutes from previous meeting:
- 4. Reports
 - Student Council Darren Demone: Student Council will be planning several fun activities for students in the coming weeks.
 - i. Spirit day and free hot dogs
 - ii. Movie Trivia Day
 - iii. St. Patrick's Day scavenger hunt
 - iv. Easter Coloring Contest
 - Administrator's Report Kris Denney
 - i. Staffing Update
 - 1. We have seen some turn-over in the school in the last little while:
 - a. Ms. Kathryn Campbell has resigned from her administrative assistant position at WCHS. We wish her well in her future endeavors.
 - b. Ms. Tatianna Berezan has replaced Mrs. Campbell and is settling in well to her new position.
 - Ms. Jessica Johnson, educational assistant, has moved on to a new career path outside of the school division. We wish Ms. Johnson all the best in her new position.



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- ii. Planning for 2021 2022
 - 1. Our priority is our students completing high school
 - a. Our purpose is to have students graduate. We recognize that the pandemic has disrupted student learning over the past year, and we want to ensure that those students who have struggled get back on track.
 - 2. Focus on our students graduating from WCHS by supporting numeracy and literacy.
 - a. Our main focus is in grades 9 and 10. If students do drop out, the majority leave during grade 9 and 10. Most students who make it to grade 11 generally go on to graduate.
- iii. Parent, Student, and Staff Surveys
 - 1. We will be sending Google surveys out to these three groups in order that we provide programming that meets our students' needs.
 - 2. We will provide survey feedback at our next school council meeting with regards to the following topics:
 - a. Use of cell phones in the classroom
 - b. Spares for Grade 10
 - c. COVID protocols (use of masks, cleaning protocols, staggered dismissal, etc.)
 - d. Access of success coaches and school counsellors
- iv. The structure of WCHS: Some questions that we ask ourselves each year are listed below. It is important that we do this yearly as our focus is to ensure we are constantly monitoring and meeting the educational, social and emotional needs of our students.
 - 1. Staffing Composition
 - a. We are looking at our projected enrollment for next year. This will help us determine what our staff composition will look like.
 - 2. Course Offerings
 - a. Are we offering courses that meet the needs of our students?



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- 3. Supports for Students
 - a. We have learning support teachers and school counsellors. How are students accessing these resources? Is this working?
- 4. Covid Protocols and Procedures
 - a. We may have to follow the same protocols next year as we are now. Use of masks, cleaning protocols, etc. may be continued depending on where we are with the pandemic.
- v. Student Registration
 - 1. Existing Students and Students from Feeder Schools
 - a. Registration Verification Forms will be sent out to all students at WRPS feeder schools.
 - 2. New Students: We may also have new registrations from:
 - a. Sacred Heart School in Wetaskiwin
 - b. Out of Area Students
- vi. Orientation and Course Registration Process \rightarrow April
 - 1. We will host an online forum for our upcoming Grade 9 students and their parents. This will take place on Thursday, April 15, 2021.
- vii. Graduation Update
 - 1. We have met with representatives from Alberta Health Services, RCMP, Wetaskiwin Fire Department and City Police.
 - We presented our idea of having an outside drive-thru graduation on the south side of the school. Feedback to this proposal has been positive.
 - 3. We will next present our plan by letter to Wetaskiwin City Council and the local RCMP detachment.
 - 4. Once we get permission to proceed, we will then fine-tune our process and communicate this to our students and parents.
- New Business
 - i.
- Next meeting: April 22, 2021 @ 7:00 pm
- 5. Adjournment