

WO Mitchell School Council

Meeting Minutes



Date: February 17th at 7:00pm

Location: WO Mitchell School

11 parents/guardians and 3 staff members were in attendance

Principal/Staff:

In Person: Mike Scott

Online: Eve Moreau, Martine S

Parents/Guardians:

In Person: Carmen F, Elysa A, Irene G, Lindsay B

Online: Adelle, Christine Z, Jayme M, Miceala C, Samantha Y, Jenny Bl, Angel N

Carmen called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Irene motioned to approve the meeting minutes from January; Angel seconded and all were in favour. The minutes were thereby approved.

Approval of Agenda

Lindsay motioned to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting; Irene seconded and all were in favor. The agenda was thereby approved.

Principal Message:

Lottery Kindergarten Registration:

This year it will again be a lottery for children entering Kindergarten

96 students were drawn with a total of 70 spaces to fill.

14 - Available Grade 1 Spaces

9 - New Grade 1 Registration

Administration is currently in connection with families to ensure their child will want to come to WO, and move to the waitlist if families decide to decline. .

Staffing updates

Dina is back! Very excited to have her back, a huge thank you to Kelly Klassen for helping out.

School Planning and School Development Plan:

Please watch this informative video from the CBE on information about School Planning.
[Video](#)

We are currently in the second year of the school development plan here at WO, and have a focused goal of reading comprehension. The main goal for our school is that student reading comprehension improves over time. Looking for improvements in both English and Spanish. Increased focus on vocabulary.

Please refer to the [Principal Power Point Presentation](#) to learn more about the SDP on topics including:

Outcome Measures

Data for Monitoring Progress

Actions (Actions the school is taking to ensure the goal of the SDP is achieved)

School Budget

The school budget is broken down in the [Principal Power Point Presentation](#)

A survey of the SDP and Budget will be sent by Mike to the parents in attendance of this meeting.

Photography Exhibit on the is starting next week and will be ending with a showcase that parents can attend.

Council:

Education Grant:

Paul Davis is more than happy to set up a presentation for us. We have \$572 that we get to spend on parent education. He can have two different options: Parent only virtual live event, starts about 7Pm, for about an hour. \$500 +gst

Second Option: Parent live and a prerecorded session that could be shared with Grade 4, 5, and 6. We would need to chat with the school and have it be within the week of the parent session. \$750 +gst. Teachers will figure out a time to show this in the school. Looking for potential dates on when this is going to happen. It sounds as though parents and teachers are on board with the second option Carmen and Mike, to chat about potential dates. The grant has to be spent by June.

Playground committee update:

They are working on getting an in person meeting with BDI to try and get some finalized options for the playground. We want to have a specific design and scope with pictures to help show people what is going to happen which will hopefully in turn help with fundraising. Continuously looking into grants.

Fiesta planning:

Date: June 4th

Paula is not here tonight, so not a huge update. If anyone wants to help on the day of with setup or whatever Paula may need, please reach out.

Yearbook:

Unleash Your Kindness — Desata tu bondad - WINNER

The coverage contest is going to take place after spring break, with the deadline of April 2nd. So please announce before Spring Break. Choosing the cover page will happen April 6th. They are working on making a poster to send through e-flyers of the weekly updates

Questions:

Does the school have a hard time getting subs? There has been a lot of sickness with students and staff, and the bad weather days do put pressure on. We haven't had too many days without getting a job filled. It is a global problem, across AB and even across the country this is a problem.

Questions/Comments:

Society, which is the next meeting, is Bound by Societies Act of Alberta so certain things need to be discussed in that meeting rather than in the Council meeting.

Date of next meeting:

April 21st, 2025 at 7:00 PM - In Person and Online

Adjournment:

Carmen adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm.

Purpose of Council:

A group of people who work together to advise the Principal and the board respecting matters relating to the school; A means for parents and community members to work together with the school to support and enhance student learning.

W.O. Mitchell School Council Mission:

W.O. Mitchell School Council is committed to supporting opportunities for each student to maximize their intellectual, physical, social, emotional and creative growth in an encouraging, safe and caring environment.