

Memorial Composite High School School Council Meeting Minutes February 24, 2025 - 7:00 MCHS Conference Room

Attending: Laurie Haak - Online (Chairperson), Corey Haley (Principal), Paul McCann (Trustee), Hannah Wilks (Student Representative), Sarah Corker (Vice Chairperson), Meghan Cox - Online (Teacher Representative), Kimberly Shim (Parent), Korina Parent (Parent), Jennifer Geddes (Parent), Logan Grice (Student Representative), Brittany Tremblay (Parent)

Regrets: None

1. Call to Order

a. The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm.

2. Land Acknowledgement

3. Approval of Agenda

a. The motion to approve the agenda was made by Sarah Corker.

4. Approval of Minutes

- a. January Minutes Motion to approve minutes was made by Sarah Corker.
- b. Sarah Corker will sign the Minutes on behalf of Laurie Haak as she is online for the meeting.

5. Correspondence (Ms. Haak)

- a. None
- 6. Old Business (Ms. Haak)
 - a. None

7. New Business (Ms. Haak)

- a. School Council at Grade 9 Open House 130 flyers were distributed over the evening, there was lots of good engagement with families. The table was located in a good location, as parents stopped by as they exited the Gymnasium. For next year, we will provide the School Council with a map to help with directions.
- b. Staff Appreciation Proposed dates were discussed. Last year, food items were brought in by parents for the staff. This is shared with all staff in the staff room. There are no funds available through the Council. How some other schools do this event is that there are funds available from the fundraising committee for this event. Corey will reach out to LAWS and Foods teachers to see if they may be able to help with food preparation. Council will send Corey a write-up for the Staff Appreciation request for the Torch Weekly. Corey will investigate the possibility of accepting donations on PowerSchool for the staff appreciation on behalf of the School Council. The proposed day is Wednesday, May 14th at lunch. We will add this to next month's agenda.
- c. Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) The conference will be held virtually only this year. As a School Council, we can send delegates in 2 different formats. This conversation will take place at the next meeting including who will attend.
 - a. Spring Symposium (Conference), Saturday, April 26 Brochure
 - b. Annual General Meeting including Resolution Voting, Sunday, April 27 Webpage

d. Athletics - Some questions around the funding of athletics were discussed. Information was shared around where public education dollars can be used in extracurricular situations. Support was made for advocating for additional funding to education in Alberta.

8. Reports (Ms. Haak)

- a. Staff Ms. Cox
 - a. Pink Shirt day is coming Wednesday, Feb. 26.
 - b. Course selection is coming up. Grade 11 & 12 after Spring Break via PowerSchool.
 - c. Grade 9 feeder school visits are wrapping up. Their course selection will be just before spring break.
 - d. We have a new addictions councillor that is available to our students.
 - e. Our robotics team has a chance to qualify for Provincials.
 - f. Our German program is going on a field trip to Edmonton for food.
 - g. Our E-Sports team is now up and running.
 - h. The Rotary Bike-A-Thon is coming up on Mar.
 - Cosmetology is taking clients in block 1 & 2. Appointments can be made through Mrs. Gardner.
 - j. Anime Movie night is this coming Friday.
 - k. Mamma Mia performances are starting next week. Tickets are available from Business Services.
- b. Students Logan Grice (Gr. 12) & Hannah Wilks (Gr. 11)
 - a. Second semester is always busy with many events and trips.
 - b. Spring Break trip to Italy & Greece.
 - c. Many different sports are starting.
 - d. Excited for Bike-A-Thon which is a big event for our school each year.
 - e. Student Leadership put on some events for Valentine's Day.
 - f. Grade 9 Open House was busy for Leadership as they helped out with the evening.
- c. Principal Mr. Haley
 - a. <u>Torch Time Changes for 2025-2026</u> The shared changes were discussed.
 - b. 2025-2026 Fees Changes to fees in the coming year were discussed. A table that gives this year and last year will be given at our next meeting.
 - c. <u>2025-2026 Registration and Course Selection</u> The Registration guide was shared and new courses that will be offered next year were discussed.
- d. School Trustee Mr. Paul McCann
 - a. CUPE Bargaining Update A general update on the progress in bargaining was given.

9. Questions, Comments, Concerns (Ms. Haak)

- a. None were shared.
- 10. Next Meeting Dates Monday at 7:00 (Ms. Haak)
 - March 24, 2025
 - April 14, 2025 Voting on ASCA AGM <u>2025 Resolutions</u>
 - May 26, 2025

11. Ad	journmen	t
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a. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm

School Council Chair	Principal