



**Memorial Composite High School
School Council Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2025 - 7:00
MCHS Library**

Attending: Laurie Haak (Chairperson), Corey Haley (Principal), Hannah Wilks (Student Representative), Sarah Corker (Vice Chairperson), Nick Goulet (Teacher), Jen Geddes (Parent), Korina Parent (Parent), Debbie Miller (Recording Secretary), Paul McCann (Trustee), Brittany Tremblay

1. Call to Order

- a. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm.

2. Land Acknowledgement

- a. Ms. Haak acknowledged Parkland School Division's presence in Treaty Territories #6 and #8.

3. Approval of Agenda

- a. German trip fundraising and Vretta were added under New Business.
- b. The motion to approve the amended agenda was made by Jen Geddes.

4. Approval of Minutes

- a. The motion to approve the March minutes was made by Sarah Corker.

5. Correspondence (Ms. Haak)

- a. None

6. Old Business (Ms. Haak)

- a. Alberta School Councils' Association - Korina Parent has offered to attend the Annual General Meeting (April 27) on behalf of MCHS.
- b. The following proposed advocacy and administrative resolutions were voted on.
 - a. P25-01 Pilot Program for Electric School Buses in Alberta - will vote against.
 - b. P25-02 Mandatory Funding for Specialist Teachers in Elementary School - will vote against.
 - c. P25-03 Sunlight is the Best Disinfectant - Mandatory Public Reporting on the State of Public Schools (Elementary) - will vote against.
 - d. P2504 Discontinue Mandatory Timed Testing for K to Grade 3 - will vote yes for all four recommendations.
 - e. P25-05 Online Safety - will vote yes.
 - f. A25-01 Preserving Safe and Inclusive Spaces for 2SLGBTQIA+ Students - will vote yes.
- c. Staff Appreciation - We will proceed with the event on May 14th.
- d. PSD Education Planning Day on April 16 - Will be attended by Jen Geddes.

7. New Business (Ms. Haak)

- a. German Trip Fundraising - Mr. Goulet asked for guidance about how the parents can do fundraising for the trip.
- b. Vretta - This is a locked browser digital platform used to design and develop interactive learning and testing resources. A parent inquired whether MCHS plans to use this. Mr. Haley said that MCHS started using it this year and Alberta Education is in the process of transitioning to Vretta for provincial achievement tests and diploma exams.

8. Reports (Ms. Haak)

- a. Staff – Mr. Goulet and Mr. Haley for Ms. Cox
 - a. There are a couple of international trips being planned for next year - a Foods/French Europe trip and a trip to Germany.
 - b. The Anime Club has a movie night on April 25.
 - c. The Anime Club is preparing for Memfest which is on May 10.
 - d. The school dance in April went well.
 - e. This is a busy time for spring sports - rugby, soccer, slo-pitch, and track & field.
- b. Students – Hannah Wilks (Gr. 11)
 - a. The dance had about 70 participants. The set-up was nice despite being located in the Common Area.
- c. Principal – Mr. Haley
 - a. About 90% of students are registered for school next year. Course registrations are in progress.
 - b. Parent/teacher interviews are rescheduled for April 24.
 - c. Shikaoi Sister School Agreement - The agreement is being planned for the 40th anniversary of municipal sisters. This will mean increased time at MCHS for the Shikaoi visitors as well as increased opportunities for the long-stay program in Shikaoi.
 - d. We are having challenges with the parking lot and are looking for parent input.
- d. School Trustee - Mr. McCann
 - a. Alberta School Boards Association presents the Edwin Parr Teacher Award for an outstanding first-year teacher. This year the award went to MCHS CTS teacher Josh Wiens.
 - b. Because of the 40th anniversary of the Shikaoi partnership, there will be a need for host families for the 79 students that will be coming in October 2025.

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

- a. None were shared.

10. Next Meeting Dates – Monday at 7:00 (Ms. Haak)

- May 26, 2025

11. Adjournment

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm



School Council Chair



Principal