

## **Woodlands School Council Meeting Minutes**

Date: Wednesday, January 21, 2026

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 6:57 p.m.

Location: Hybrid (Woodlands School & Microsoft Teams)

Chair: Pam

### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

### **2. Attendance**

Present: Pam, Nicole, Tyson, Tea, Lauren Agnew, Courtney, Tamra Wilcox

Other participants: Jill Stewart, Katie McLeod

### **3. Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made to adopt the agenda as presented.

### **4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

The previous meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion was made to adopt the minutes as presented.

### **5. Principal's Report – January 21, 2026**

School Updates & Activities:

- Pre-holiday fundraisers: Growing Smiles and 50/50
- Kananaskis in the Classroom – Weather the Storm for all students on Dec 5; classroom visits for Grades 4–6
- Funds provided for staff meal at conferences and holiday snacks
- Healthy Hunger ongoing (next Feb 18 CocoBrooks Pizza)
- Preparations for Casino (Feb 22&23) and February Neon Glow Dance
- Green Fools Theatre Residency was a success (Dec 15–19)
- STEM experiences for classes
- Ongoing work on school communication platforms
- Jack Leslie Environmental Grant submitted

## **6. Staffing Updates**

- Priya Vaidya, EA – supporting Grade 1 and possibly other classes
- Shruti Shah, EA – supporting Division II (gr 4,5,6) and Kindergarten
- Nikki Gatica Uribe, EA – supporting EES
- Mrs. Todd, EA – continues to support Grades 2 and 3

## **7. Student Learning & Assessment**

- Report cards viewable to families on February 24 via myCBE/PowerSchool (later than last year due to strike interruption)
- January 19 – February 6: AB Education Literacy & Numeracy Screening Assessments (K–3)
- Mid-year data update: attendance and OurSCHOOL student perception data
- Flex Fridays begin January 23 (5 total this year)

## **8. Indigenous Education & Environmental Learning**

Outdoor Learning Commons Beautification & Commemoration:

- Youth-led project by Grade 6 students to create a zone-hardy native pollinator garden
- Collaboration with Indigenous Knowledge Keepers (CBE Indigenous Education programs)
- Focus on native plants within the Fish Creek watershed and Calgary area

## **9. Parent Engagement & Feedback**

- March 11 council meeting will include engagement on School Development Planning and 2026–27 budgeting priorities
- Alberta Education Assurance Survey (Feb/March) for parents with a child in Grade 4, 7, or 10; all teaching staff; and all students in Grades 4–6 due to school size
- Families will receive mailed survey info from AB Education; school will message when the survey is open

## **10. Technology Update**

- January 7: 29 Chromebooks replaced with new
- January 7: 19 iPads replaced with new
- 3 new Smartboards to date this year
- New budgeting process: \$200 per student (approx. \$50,000 for Woodlands)

- Devices decommissioned approximately every 5 years; replacements provided upon return

- Previous model was 3 students : 1 device

## **11. Events**

- Jan 12–28: Gymnastics in PE (kids are having a great time)

- Jan 19 – Feb 6: Provincial Assessments in Literacy & Numeracy (K–3)

- Jan 19–23: Grade 4 at City Hall School (met the Mayor; downtown learning week)

- Jan 29: Foothills Brass Whole-School Performance – The Building Blocks of Music (1:30 p.m.)

- Jan 30: Non-Instructional Day

- Feb 2–6: ELEV8 Lacrosse Residency

- Feb 18: Healthy Hunger – Coco Brooks

- Feb 24: Report cards visible to families in PowerSchool

- Feb 26: Neon Glow Dance

- Mar 3: Kananaskis in the Classroom – Whole School – Pirates of the Kananaskis Lakes (9:30 a.m.)

- Mar 9–13: Swimming (Grades 1–4)

- Mar 16–20: Scholastic Book Fair

- Mar 18: Healthy Hunger – McDonald's

- Mar 19–20: Parent-Teacher Conferences

- Apr 7–9: Swimming – Kindergarten PM

- Apr 22: Healthy Hunger – Taco Time

- May 19–21: Swimming – K AM

## **12. System Updates**

Alberta School Council Engagement Grant:

- Supports school councils in fulfilling legislated responsibilities and enhancing parental engagement

- Card and receipts to be returned to the school by June

### **13. Next Meeting**

Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

### **14. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.