



# William Aberhart High School School Council



## William Aberhart High School School Council Meeting Minutes: Monday November 24, 2025

Chair: Farouk Gillani	Principal: Christos Sagriotis	Assistant Principals: Sebastien Fournier, Brian Maccarl, Jocelyn Vryenhoek (on leave temporarily replaced by Tony Barile)
Vice-Chair: Olga Tourin	Secretary: Tracy Duncan	Student rep:
Key Communicator: vacant	Teacher Rep: Rotating	Members at Large:

**Attendees:** Christos Sagriotis, Claire Serdula, D Duman (online), Farouk Gillani, Olga Tourin, Josh Orzech, Tracy Duncan

Meeting called to order at 7:25 pm by Farouk G.

Land Acknowledgement by Christos Sagriotis

Consent Agenda reviewed. Motion to approve agenda and May 2025 meeting minutes by Josh, seconded by Olga.

### Principal/Administration update (Christos S)

- New assistant principal: Brian Maccarl. Other assistant principals: Veronique Brunelle and Jocelynn Vryenhoek (on leave temporarily replaced by Tony Barile)
- 138 students. Grade 10: 460, Grade 11: 425, Grade 12: 423
- 90 staff members (62 teachers).
- Multiple specialized programs
- Fine arts News
  - Abe Jazz night Friday. Dec4 Dec concert, Dec6 Abe TubaFest
- Sports
  - Fall sports just wrapped up.
  - Winter sports just starting: basketball, wrestling, curling, badminton
- Parent teacher conferences Friday Nov 27 8-3, ALL ONLINE.
- December 19: last day of classes before holiday break.
- Buses: Our buses are starting to age so we are looking at purchasing one in the upcoming year or 2. WAMPA donating \$15k towards buses.
- AberEats: expanded lunch service, 10 students learning and earning, updated menu, inexpensive prices.
- Classes run 8:54 – 3:30. Longer classes and longer lunch. This year we have lost afternoon Well time and Tutorials
- Daily announcements: Switched to a pdf version that we put online, and have 3 minutes to review announcements in period 2.
- Truth and Reconciliation: orange shirt day was Sept 30



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- Return to school after teachers' strike:
  - We lost days in Oct due to the labor strike
  - No diploma exams for G12,
  - No final exams for G10 and G11
  - Use this time to recover some instructional days lost due to strike
  - Student final mark is based entirely on outcome assessments
- Monday Jan 5: classes resume after holiday break
- Friday Jan 23: last day of regular scheduled classes for Semester 1
- Weds Jan 28: first day of classes for Semester 2.
- Because of the removal of diploma exams, universities have bumped up their early admission averages to correct for expected higher marks due to no diplomas. Students likely will get additional opportunity for re-assessment in January to help them with that.
- Claire passed on thanks to all the teachers.

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No new business

Next meeting will be Jan 26 2026. Here and online.

Motion to adjourn by Tracy seconded by Josh. Carried, adjourned at 7:31 pm