

Minutes of School Council General Meeting

Call to order

A General Meeting of Westmount Charter School was held on Wednesday, March 14, 2024 online (Zoom). It began at 7:00pm and was presided over by the chair, Roti Akinsanmi. The meeting started with a land acknowledgement by Melissa Wolsey.

Attendees

School Council Executives	Students, Staff & Administration
 Chair: Roti Akinsanmi Vice-Chair: Ashley Wilford-Matthews Treasurer: Navdeep Kailey* Secretary: Kathy Good* Communications Director: Terri May Fundraising Director: Laura Teterenko Parent Engagement Director: Melissa Wolsey Social Events Director: Lisa Fedko-Gott Director-at-Large: Thomas Chan 10. Director-at-Large: Ameet Kooner 	 Board Liaison: Simon Corrin Superintendent: Joe Frank* Elementary Principal: Adriana Klassen Mid-High Principal: Graeme Finlay Student Council President: Shaheer W.
*Absent	

Approval of agenda

The following changes were made to the Agenda:

- Minutes of February 14th meeting unavailable for approval.
- There will be no communication's or treasurer's report.
- The board update and Q & A with the superintendent will be after the principal's reports.
- A motion to approve the agenda was made by Melissa W. and seconded by Ameet K.



Agenda

 Chair's Remarks | Roti A.
 Congrats to the WCS basketball team for winning the City Championships in tier 2 basketball!

2. School Reports:

- a. Student Council President | Shaheer W.
 All planned events had to be cancelled due to MH campus closure.
 Hoping to reschedule cancelled events, after the spring break.
- b. Elementary Principal | Adriana K. https://www.westmountcharter.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/EC-Parent-Weekly-March-11.pdf
- c. Mid-High Principal | Graeme F. https://www.westmountcharter.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/MH-Principal-Report-March-2024.pdf
- 3. Board Update | Simon C.
 - a. Thank you to Joe Frank for his 13 years of service to WCS, and congrats on his 2nd retirement as superintendent of WCS.
 - b. The Board HR committee has commenced to search for a new superintendent.
 - c. We expect to have a new superintendent hired and announced by Mid May.
- 4. Q & A with the Superintendent | Joe F.

Cause of school closure: Repair work due to an explosion in the underground power cables entering the school. There was no fire in the school.

Update: CBE arranged for generators, to power boilers, to keep buildings heated. Joe applied for a special exemption with the Minister of Education, to allow learning to be moved online. This can be extended, if students cannot be back in class by Monday. The plan is to be back in school on Monday, but a communication will be sent, as soon as this is confirmed.



5. School Council Reports:

- a. Fundraiser Report | Laura T.
 - i. Healthy Hunger: The lunches from the MH were donated to the Mustard Seed the day of the school closure so they don't go bad. Parents who would like a refund should contact the School Council by email. Refunds will be withdrawn from the School Council funds as the donated meals were already paid for before they were donated.
 - ii. Stampeder Parking for 2024: looking for volunteers.
 - iii. Planning underway for WestJet Raffle and 50/50
- b. Social Events | Lisa F.
 - i. Looking for volunteers for our year-end celebration at the Elementary campus on June 7th, 2024.
- c. Parent Engagement | Melissa W.
 - i. MH coffee talk will be online while the school is closed.
 - ii. The next EC coffee talk will be on April 12 in person.
 - iii. Stay tuned on information on an event with Jill Foreman

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Meeting recording: Unavailable.

Next meeting

Wednesday April 17, 2024, between 7:00 pm and 8:00 pm via Zoom.