

William Aberhart School Council Meeting Minutes

Monday March 16, 2015

1. Meeting called to order 19.02hrs
2. Larry Adorjan volunteered to take minutes.
3. Approved February Council minutes. Motioned by Gerty Williams and seconded by Cinde Little.
4. School Trustee Wards 6 and 7, Trina Hurdman, update.
 - Trina gave a synopsis of the Calgary Board of Education, CBE, budget.
 - Provincial funding cuts will be made and most cuts will be to high schools. The high school cuts including inflation amount to 25% over the last five years.
 - The flooding has caused insurance rates to go up by 89%.
 - Teachers salaries were negotiated several years ago where there were no increases for several years, salaries will now be raised by 2% and a 1% lump sum given.
 - There will be a new Education Act effective in September.
 - CBE needs over 1 billion in infrastructure maintenance work which will not be done this budget.
 - <http://www.cbe.ab.ca/about-us/budget-and-finance/Pages/budget.aspx>

<http://www.cbe.ab.ca/about-us/budget-and-finance/Pages/budget-feedback-form.aspx>

5. Principal Update: Tamie Annis-Johnson

a) Student Voice: April 17 is speak out day with bring your own lunch in the library.

b) Feedback from parents required for the google doc

"Tell Them From Me Survey"

<http://schools.cbe.ab.ca/b829/aberhart/main/news/whats-new/abe-ttfm-survey-highlights.html>

- c) Great January exam results.
- d) Aberhart Symphonic Band Trip to Spain March 18 - 29
- e) Belgium Battlefields trip March 19 to 30.
- f) More students next year. The school has a maximum of 1753 students.
- g) Some classes will have 44 students.
- h) School wireless wifi needs upgrade.

- i) 42 computers are required for the provincial exams.
- j) Students found throwing erasers and seed shells and being disrespectful of a science teacher. One student has been suspended.

6. Treasurer Update: Jennie Kwan
\$6978.02 is available in the school council fund.

7. Other updates – School Society:

- April 27 18:30 “Friends of Orange” School Society meeting before the school council meeting. This will elect a new executive. Five person quorum required.
- Only one casino per school is allowed. The school band society WAMPA will do the casino.

8. Adjournment at 20.34 hr