



William Aberhart School Council Meeting Minutes

Monday October 24th 2016

1. Meeting called to order 19.01 hrs. by Ron R.
2. Approval of Agenda motioned by Larry A. seconded by Karen M.
3. Feature speaker School Resource Officer, Constable Carlamay Blight
 - SRO officer rotates between three high schools. Schedule is on office door. The SRO is in the school for two consecutive days per rotation.
 - Do not hesitate to reach out to the school or Carlamay to talk or ask questions.
Email: pol3768@calgarypolice.ca
 - If parents are paying for the student's mobile phone they can take the phone away and should take the phone away for any abuse. Parents can get, for a charge, from their mobile supplier, a list of all texts sent or received on the phone, even if they were erased on the phone.
It is a good idea to take away phones after 9PM till morning to allow for restful sleep.
 - Social media can cause a great deal of grief in a student's life.
 - Sexting – sending of nude pictures. Students can be charged with trafficking child porn.
 - There are mobile phone apps available that look like innocent apps such as calculators but are really “vaults” to store pictures.
 - Student may think pictures or messages will only be on the internet for a short time, such as in snapchat. They are wrong. These can be downloaded and brought back any time.
 - Even pictures of students in under wear or bras are not legal.
 - Students must know it is important what you put on the internet or share with a friend. It can affect you for the rest of your life. Any conviction will limit travel out of Canada for life.
 - Phone pictures now have location attached which allows exact house and community look up.
 - It is important students learn internet citizenship. The learning commons coordinator oversees teaching this.
 - Crises in Fentanyl drugs. There are too many deaths, 154 in Calgary this year.
 - There are drugs at all high schools.
 - Dealers do not make their own drugs. It is difficult for the police to find the higher management of the drug trade.
 - Pot is laced with other drugs.



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- Same batch pills may not have a consistent amount of the drug.
- Parties: Tuscany has the most drug related and sex parties.
- Code word of “green” used in text messages refers to drugs.
- Mules are school drug sellers. Drugs are sold in wash room, parking lot, park, groups of trees in park and alleys. Mules can be identified because they never put down their back packs. If they are on school property they must allow search of back pack or locker.
- The SRO, teachers and administration go out at noon to talk with the students and check common transaction locations.
- Student friends tell about their friend’s drug habits because they are worried about them.
- P-chat – A measure to apprehend and keep a student 10 days to stop an addiction.
- Know where your kids are. Check they are in their rooms.

4. Administration T. Annis-Johnson.

- Parents must say yes to receiving text messages from the school due to government regulations. Parents should have received an email which explains what they need to do. Parents need to say yes to receiving “other” emails to get Friends of Orange fund raising emails.
- Awards ceremony only for *last year’s Grade 10 and 11* awards will be given November 24 2016 from 10:30 – noon.
This time is not good for most parents.
- The Alberta Government wants input for curriculum development
<https://education.alberta.ca/curriculum-development>
<http://curriculumsurvey.alberta.ca>
You must fill out all Part A before moving on to Part B. There is no save function.
Keep in mind “I like ..., I wonder ..., I suggest ...”
- Diploma Exam results were handed out for January 2016 , 2015 and June 2016, 2015. Aberhart did better than the provincial average.
- Last year 50% of grade 12 students could apply for the Alberta government Rutherford scholarships. They can be from \$100 to \$6000, most honor role students receive \$2000.

5. We require a Treasurer and Vice Chair this school year.

6. Spolumbos sausage pick up is Wednesday October 26 after school.

7. Adjournment 20:12 hrs. Next Meeting November 28.