

Meeting Minutes

Woodman School Council

Tuesday Nov 18, 2025 at 7:00pm

Online via *Microsoft Teams*

Attendance*: Marlene, Tara, Mark, Dave, Jad, Nina, Alice, Cinnamon, Valentina, Melanie and others.

*Note: for those attending via *MS Teams*, names taken from screen displays may not be accurate

Call to order: 7:03 pm

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement: Tara

Approval of previous minutes: Motion to approve the minutes from Sept 2025 - Cinnamon, seconded by Alice; minutes approved.

Chair Report: Tara

- Council positions currently open: Key Communicator, Secretary, Volunteer Coordinator, Staff Appreciation Coordinator. If you have any questions about these positions, please reach out to Tara.
- WMPA update: next meeting Tuesday Nov 25. Next concert on Thursday Dec 4.
- Staff appreciation event on Friday Dec 5. Suggestion is for a lunch. If someone would like to organize this event reach out to Tara, in the meantime Tara will get the ball rolling on the event.
 - Valentina had some ideas and will reach out to Tara.

Principal's Report: Marlene

- Slides shared by Marlene will be available on-line.
 - High level summary of report:
 - Overview of Gr. 6/9 PATs
 - AB Education Assurance Model highlights
 - Leadership Transition, Assistant Principal.
- If you have any questions about Marlene's presentation, please reach out to her.

AGM Voting: Tara

- Vice Chair- Dave, nominated by Tara, seconded by Alice, motion passed.
- Key Communicator & Member at Large- Jad, nominated by Tara, seconded by Alice, motion passed.
- Members at Large- Melanie & Valentina, nominated by Tara, seconded by Alice, motion

passed.

- Chair- Tara, nominated by Dave, seconded by Alice, motion passed.
- If anyone would like to take on a roll that is still available they are encouraged to reach out to Tara.

New Business: Tara & Marlene

Discussion regarding current events happening in the world that are impacting Woodman/the education system at large.

- Nina asked a question regarding missed learning that occurred during the strike. Marlene discussed how the staff at Woodman, upon returning to school, specifically focused on the importance of core/essential learning. This also involved slowing down to reduce psychological stress on students. Teachers are leveraging parents to encourage learning outside of the classroom. Some school events (Halloween Dance and Remembrance Day) were also reduced to increase instruction time.
- Alice, question about how teachers are doing and how parents can support them. Marlene discussed by talking about how the many teachers felt the positive workplace culture at Woodman reduced their stress.
- Marlene spoke about the student walk out that occurred on Oct 30. A large number of Woodman students participated. Teachers did not participate. However, Marlene did coordinate with staff over lunch and with CPS to ensure student safety.

Next Council Meeting: Jan 20, 7:00 pm.

Meeting dates for 2025/2026

September 23 • October 28 • November 18 • January 20 • February 24 • March 31 • April 28 • May 26

Meeting Adjournment: 8:23 pm