

MINUTES OF SCHOOL COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

Call to Order

A General Meeting of Westmount Charter School was held on **Wednesday**, **September 17**, **2025** via Zoom. It commenced at 7:00pm and was presided over by Ashley Wilford-Matthews, Chair. Ashley began the meeting with Westmount Charter School's land acknowledgement and encouraged families to reflect on the significance of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation with September 2025 marking 10 years since the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) of Canada released its Final Reports and 94 Calls to Action.

Attendees

School Council Executives	Students, Staff & Administration
 Chair: Ashley Wilford-Matthews Vice-Chair: Hannah Klassen Secretary: Jodi Hornung Treasurer: Lisa Fedko-Gott Communications Director: Travis Davidson Fundraising Director: Clara Ip Parent Engagement Director: Melissa Wolsey Social Events Director: Tammy Chan Director-at-Large: Meg Nicholson Director-at-Large: Pin Sahota 	 Elementary Acting Principal: Karly Bagnall Elementary Acting Assistant Principal: Ashley Cuthbert Mid-High Principal: Graeme Finlay Student Council President: Dipto Sikdar Board Liaison: Simon Corrin
Absent: Lisa Fedko-Gott, Simon Corrin	

Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Melissa W. and seconded by Tammy C.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the June 2025 minutes was made by Travis D. and seconded by Clara I.



Agenda

1. Chair's Remarks

A big welcome back to WCS students and families! We are happy to usher in our new executive council members and are looking forward to a wonderful year.

2. School Reports

- a. Student Council President | Dipto Sikdar
 - Student Council will be hosting a candy sale to help fundraise for the Terry Fox Run on Friday, Sept. 19, as well as a student Kahoot! to help spread awareness on Thursday, Sept. 18 in the Learning Commons.
 - Applications for candidates has closed and elections for grade room representatives will be running Sept. 22 – Sept. 25. The constitution has been amended to allow each grade representative a vote.
 - Preparations are underway for the upcoming Club Fair taking place Sept.
 29 Oct. 3 in the Learning Commons.
 - Sept. 29 marks Orange Shirt Day at WCS and Student Council will be leading activities throughout the day.
 - Looking ahead, October will be bustling with spirit week and Halloween activities.
- b. Elementary Principals | *Karly Bagnall & Ashley Cuthbert*<u>Elementary Campus September 2025</u>
- c. Mid-High Principal | *Graeme Finlay*Mid-High Campus September 2025

<u>Additional Note:</u>

Parents of Mid-High students are encouraged to keep up to date through their <u>Parent Account on Schoology</u> where they can access a detailed event calendar as well as announcements and resources. Please contact the office at <u>mhadmin@westmountcharter.com</u> if you have any questions or require support accessing your account.

While the Elementary campus <u>does not</u> use Schoology, parents <u>will</u> receive a weekly newsletter as well as communication directly from the teachers.

3. School Council Reports

a. Treasury | Lisa F.

Due to Lisa's absence, a full budget report will be provided at the next meeting.



b. Fundraising | Clara I.

Thank you to all families who supported School Council fundraising efforts last year and over the summer with Stampeders Parking – we couldn't raise money for the school without you!

Fun Lunches

Upcoming September fun lunches are McDonald's and Edo Japan – please register and order lunches through Healthy Hunger. October fun lunches are being set-up now; details will be emailed to families.

NEW Old Dutch Fundraiser



If families are looking to purchase Halloween treats, please support School Council and place chip orders by October 3, 2025. We appreciate your support!



SkiptheDepot

Ongoing campaign! Families can register to have their empty bottles picked up from SkiptheDepot and School Council will receive the proceeds. Tax receipts can be requested for donations over \$25.



c. Parent Engagement | Melissa W.

The first two Coffee Talks of the year were held: one at the Elementary campus and one at the Mid-High campus. Coffee Talks are a casual connection point for parents to meet with administrators and alternate between in-person and online. The October meetings will be held online at 9:15am: Elementary Oct. 3 and Mid-High Oct. 17. Links will be emailed to families closer to the dates.

The first parent engagement session of the year will be **October 6, 2025, 7pm-8pm via Zoom**. This session will be hosted by YouthSMART and will focus on Stress Management and Healthy Coping. Session details will be emailed to families in this week's school newsletters.

d. Social Events | Tammy C.

School Council will be kicking off the year on **Thursday**, **Sept. 18** with a presentation to families at the **Elementary Meet the Teacher** event, as well as an on-site fundraiser at the **Mid-High Meet the Staff** event where **we'll be selling \$2 popcorn** and keeping an eye out for future volunteers!

4. **Board Update** | Simon C. Unavailable.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Meeting Recording

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