

School Council Meeting Minutes – January 19, 2026

Started at 9:00am

In Attendance: Faye Holt, Sherry Butler, Natalie Britton, Amy Johnson, Carmen Sewell, Sarah Van Schothorst, Megan Fedun, Kathleen Budreau

AGM Meeting:

- Was moved to the January meeting from November due to low attendance and inability to fill all council positions
- Election of School Council
 - o Chairperson: Keilidh Derowin (not in attendance) will continue in this role, it is a 2 year commitment according to the current Blackie School Council Operating Procedures
 - o Co-chairperson: Kathleen Budreau has been elected
 - o Secretary: Natalie Britton has been elected
- Blackie School Council Operating Procedures/current bylaws were printed and circulated for all members in attendance
 - o No bylaw amendments were proposed
 - o We will revisit this at the next AGM in the fall
- No other issues for discussion were brought forward by anyone in attendance

AGM Adjourned and Regular Meeting Began at 9:18am

School Leadership Report – Faye

- This [school leadership report](#) will be uploaded to the Blackie School website
- Latest SOSQ survey results (survey for students around how they are feeling at school/student wellness)
 - o Self-confidence down overall from previous results
- Student Matters Group
 - o “Heart of a Bulldog” awards
 - o Focus on being green, environmental awareness, recycling, etc.
- Events (see regular emails sent out from the school)
 - o Trickster Theatre coming to the school the week of March 2 with final performance March 6
 - o Ski/Snowboard Trip March 13 (kids who cannot attend for medical reasons, etc will stay home that day)
 - o Learner Profiles coming home February 13
 - o Literacy Day
 - o Kindness wall for Pink Shirt Day

- PD Day plan for teachers
 - o First Aid Recertification

Trustee Report – Sherry

- Proposed change in electoral boundaries proposed for province (Highwood)
- AMIRA AI tool
- Poor participation by families in last assurance surveys from both province and division
- Grade 12 diploma and Grade 9 exam results for division
- OJHS Presentation to FSD: turnaround in vandalism, student matters/pride in school
- FSD building own AI model for teachers to use
- 2026-2027 school calendar up for consultation, with survey on website
- All trustees will be going on school tours
- Follow up from last meeting on topic of getting kids engaged in government
 - o Empowered Canadians website
- A parent reached out to Sherry about the lack of a virtual option for our meeting
 - o No one has reached out to the school staff or any parent members about wanting to attend virtually
 - o We will ask Amy W to add a note when sending out the meeting times to the school community to ‘please contact the school to request to attend virtually’, or similar, and we will set it up if/when there is a request

New Business

- None brought forward

Parent Questions and Wonders

- Is the school going to be doing family groups again this year?
 - o Answer: they will be launching family groups again, last start due to strike action and school breaks

Next Meeting Date set for Monday, February 23 at 9am.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:54am.