

William Reid School Parent Council

Date: Tuesday, 10 February 2026; Time: 7.00pm to 8.30pm

Location: In person and online

Attendance: D. Bhaloo-Shivji, S. Moss, J. MacLeod, C. Bourgeault, L. Riar, T. Ward, V. Terstappen, M. Carr-Wiggin, T. Wagner, E. Gillingham, K. Clarke, G. Gonzalez, K. Rushton, S. Bullough

School Council (WRSC) Portion of the Meeting (7.00pm to 8.00pm)

1. Call to Order – 7.02pm
2. Acknowledgment of Land
3. Welcome to Danisha Bhaloo-Shivji who is stepping into role of WRSC Chair
4. Consent Agenda
 - February 2026 WRSC Agenda
 - January 2026 WRSC Minutes – motion to approve by J. MacLeod, seconded by T. Wagener
5. Update from School Administration
 - Carnaval (week of 02-06 Feb):
 - o Folk Folies images were shared with students playing traditional instruments.
 - o Students also enjoyed “La Tire” (freezing maple syrup on snow) and fold dances
 - o Sports day was a wonderful opportunity to gather as a school community, with 30 parent and alumni student volunteers at various stations.
 - o Ice castle building will be later in the winter, weather permitting
 - Elevate Carts
 - o Thank you to School Council for raising the money for these
 - o Students came up with some fun names for each of the carts
 - Trickster Theatre
 - o Second showing of Trickster Theatre school performance was again offered online, with thanks to Mme Bullough who assisted M. Rushton with tech issues
 - Bottle drive

- Held monthly to raise money to pay for some activities at the end of the year, particularly the Last Blast
- First bottle drive in January raised \$190
- Kindergarten/Grade One registration for 2026-27 school year
 - Today was the last day for kindergarten and grade one students starting next school year
 - Over 100 kids entered into the lottery, including over 20 registrations for Grade One
 - There has never been a child who ultimately wasn't offered a space if they still wanted one, though the offer could come late depending on how many spots parents have entered or registered for. Withdrawals happen into September and beyond so kids on the wait list can always get a spot
- Oktoberfest
 - Continuing to have staff-sponsored experiences for students happening that parents bid on, including a recent volleyball game
- Assessments and Reporting
 - Delayed due to October's job action
 - Report cards will come out on 24 February
 - Early Years Assessments are complete and results to be received in March

6. Updates from Committee Leads:

- Naturalization committee: needs to be taken over from Katrina by a new parent. Coordination over summer is required for watering etc.

7. Identification and Review of Action items, future Agenda items

- Parent engagement
 - \$500 pre-paid Visa amount available.
 - T. Ward has contacted Elboya's Parent Council Chair Lisa, Elboya is open to partnering with William Reid to host a parent engagement session on topic of internet/online safety led by Paul Davis.
 - Suggested date of 29 April (delivered online) starting at 7.30, 55 minute session plus a Q&A
 - T. Ward will book

8. Adjournment – 7.25pm