



MINUTES OF SCHOOL COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Call to Order**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Westmount Charter School was held on **Wednesday, May 8, 2024** via Zoom. It began at 7:00pm and was presided over by Roti Akinsanmi, Chair. The meeting began with a land acknowledgement given by Ashely Wilford-Matthews.

**Attendees**

School Council Executives	Students, Staff & Administration
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Chair: Roti Akinsanmi</li><li>Vice-Chair: Ashley Wilford-Matthews</li><li>Treasurer: Navdeep Kailey</li><li>Communications Director: Terri May</li><li>Fundraising Director: Laura Teterenko</li><li>Parent Engagement Director: Melissa Wolsey</li><li>Social Events Director: Lisa Fedko-Gott</li><li>Director-at-Large: Thomas Chan</li><li>Director-at-Large: Ameet Kooner</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Board Liaison: Simon Corrin</li><li>Elementary Principal: Adriana Klassen</li><li>Elementary Assistant Principal: Karly Bagnall</li><li>Mid-High Principal: Graeme Finlay</li><li>Student Council Vice-President: Nicole S.</li></ol>
<b>Absent:</b> Shaheer W. (Student Council President), Navdeep K.	

**Approval of Agenda**

- A motion to approve the agenda was made by Terri M. and seconded by Ashley M.

**Approval of Minutes**

- A motion to approve the 2023 AGM minutes was made by Melissa W. and seconded by Lisa.



## Agenda

### 1. Chair's Remarks | Roti A.

Roti included his remarks in the annual report with the theme Stronger Together and took the opportunity to extend thanks to teachers, council members, student council members and volunteers for their dedication and commitment to fostering a wonderful community.

### 2. School Annual Reports

#### a. Student Council Vice President | Nicole S.

- Coordinated many school events throughout the year (Halloween contests, winter formal, spirit weeks, talent show, etc.). The winter formal had record high attendance!
- Currently working with teacher coordinators to set up elections for next year. Elections will take place in May with results shared in June.
- Shaheer W. (Student Council President) has been assisting School Council with preparations for the year end event; shift sign-ups are quite full.

#### b. Elementary Principals | Adriana Klassen & Karly Bagnall

[Elementary May 2024 Report](#)

[Elementary 2023-2024 Report](#)

#### c. Mid-High Principal | Graeme Finlay

[Mid-High May 2024 Report](#)

#### **Mid-High 2023-2024 Report**

Acknowledgement and gratitude for the partnership with, and support from, School Council, parents and volunteers which allows for programs such as Camp Kiwanis, Kananaskis biology trips, guest artists and speakers, classroom funding, band programs, ski trips, etc.

Thank you to the School Council Executive team for their invaluable contributions!

### 3. School Council Reports

#### a. Fundraising Events | Laura T.

Huge thank you to family members who helped with fundraising for the year. First set of fundraising initiatives were the Stampeder Parking events (nine events held, raising about \$5000). Purdy's holiday fundraiser at Elementary Campus



raised about \$1000. In February the in-person bottle drive raised about \$700 (additional funds were raised throughout the year with the Skip the Depot program). Healthy Hunger lunches (appx. 20 deliveries between the two campuses) raised about \$5000. Finally, the 50/50 and WestJet raffle fundraisers were a success (winners will be drawn at the end of the meeting).

- b. **Treasury** | Navdeep K.
    - Roti shared the interim report that Navdeep provided.
    - Banking transactions continue until August 31<sup>st</sup>, followed by project discussions with the Principals, School Council and Treasurer. Allocations are made and budget will be reviewed, discussed and approved in October 2024.
    - Invoices are just under \$10K against a budget of \$40K.
    - Year to date revenue is just over \$12K against the \$13K budgeted.
  
  - c. **Parent Engagement** | Melissa W.
    - Coffee talks were held every single month at both campuses (alternating between online and in person).
    - In October, Dr. Janneke Frank spoke about the Inside Out philosophy. Many requests to bring her back for additional sessions.
    - Held two different sessions with The Center of Sexuality (one for Elementary and one for Mid-High).
    - Started a new initiative called Parent Chat. Hope to bring it back next year with a few changes.
    - In May, Jill Foreman will join us on Zoom.
  
  - d. **Social Events** | Lisa Fedko-Gott
    - In June 2023, we hosted the second annual year end event which was very successful (between 250-300 attendees). Planning this year's event for June 7<sup>th</sup> and still seeking volunteers. Thank you to all parents who help make this event a success!
4. **Election**
- A great parent response this year and all positions will be filled. Encouragement to those who are not successful in joining Council this year to apply again next year and to continue volunteering for the many initiatives – your support is invaluable.

Motion approved at the 2023 AGM to adopt Zoom polling for electronic ballots.



#	Current Executive	2023/2024	2024/2025	2025/2026
1	Ashley Wilford-Matthews	Vice Chair	Chair Designate	
2	Ameet Kooner	Director at Large	Vice Chair	
3	Lisa Fedko	Social Events	Treasurer	
4	Melissa Wolsey	Parent Engagement	Parent Engagement	
5			Fundraising	
6		Secretary (remaining term)		
7		Social Events (remaining term)		
8			Director at Large x2	

- Chair**  
 Roti Akinsanmi. will be vacating the Chair position. The Vice-Chair, Ashley Wilford-Matthews will move into the Chair position.
- Vice-Chair**  
 Ameet Kooner nominated for the Vice-Chair position by Roti A., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Terri M. No other nominations. Ameet is the new Vice-Chair.
- Secretary**  
 Jodi Hornung nominated for Secretary by Ashley Wilford-Matthews, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Terri M. No other nominations. Jodi is the new Secretary.
- Treasurer**  
 Lisa Fedko-Gott nominated for the Treasurer position by Roti A., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Anita. No other nominations. Lisa is the new Treasurer
- Fundraising Director**  
 Clara Ip nominated for the Fundraising Director position by Lisa, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Allison. No other nominations. Laura is the new Director of Fundraising
- Social Events Director**  
 Tammy Chan is nominated for the Social Events Director position by Roti A., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lisa. No other nominations. Tammy is the new Social Events Director.



- **Parent Engagement Director**

Melissa Wolsey nominated for the Parent Engagement Director position by Roti A., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Allison. No other nominations. Melissa is the continuing Parent Engagement Director.

- **Communications Director**

Terri May continuing her term as Communications Director.

- **Director-at-Large (two positions)**

Kanwar Gill, nominated for the Director-at-Large (1-year term) position by Roti A., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Anita.

Toddye Kam, nominated for the Director-at-Large (1-year term) position by Lisa, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clara.

Renee Mei, nominated for the Director-at-Large (1-year term) position by Anita, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Allison.

Victor Shen, nominated for the Director-at-Large (1-year term) position by Lisa, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Terri.

Voting took place:

Kanwar Gill, elected Director-at-Large

Victor Shen, elected Director-at-Large

## **Announcements**

- WestJet Raffle raised \$5,460; 50/50 raised \$3550. Grade 2 raised the most, congrats Grade 2!
- WestJet raffle winner: congratulations, Garret Marchi!
- 50/50 winner: congratulations, Kirk Schmidt!

## **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Roti A., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Victor Shen. The meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.

## **Meeting Recording**

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