



MINUTES

Bowness High School Council Meeting
Wednesday January 14th, 2026 at 6:30pm
In-Person Meeting **LOCATION -online**

Meeting Facilitator: Leeanne Morrow, Chair (bownesshighparents@gmail.com)

1. CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm
2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA-Motion to approve the agenda was moved by Lisa M., seconded by Lisa T., all in favour
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Nov. 26, 2025)-Motion to approve the minutes of the November 26th, 2025 meeting was moved by Santana and seconded by Marla R., all in favour
5. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:
 - a. SDP and Budget (Jana and Chris)
School Planning annual walk through of School Development plan
 - Budget and Fee report were put on website on January 13th, 2026
 - School Development Plan is on the website
bowness.cbe.ab.ca
About Us
Our School
School Development Plan
year 2 of 3

School Goal

Student academic achievement will improve through assessment practices that make explicit connections to the intended learning goals and actively engage students in the assessment process.

Outcome Measures

Alberta Education Assurance Measures Survey Report (AEAMSR): - Student Engagement - "What I learn is meaningful" or "interesting to me." - "Welcoming, Caring, Safe, Respectful Learning Environments" (WCRSLE) Data ▪ CBE Student Survey: - Student Engagement - Truth & Reconciliation, Diversity and Inclusion Data ▪ OurSchool Survey - Well-being Data ▪ Assessment & Reporting in the CBE "Teacher Self-Assessment Tool" - Outcomes-Based Assessment implementation data

Learning Excellence Actions

Consistent use of clear learning intentions aligned with identified course outcomes and assessment criteria connected to the High School Proficiency Scale ▪ Teachers use a variety of assessment modes and mitigate the impact of distorting factors to ensure fairness and accuracy in the assessment information gathered ▪ Provide timely, consistent and constructive feedback to help students understand their progress and areas for improvement



Well-Being Actions

Provide students with opportunities for continued learning and reassessment to encourage student engagement and motivation in learning ▪ Create opportunities for student voice in assessment practices that develop a sense of ownership, self-advocacy and personalization in their learning ▪ Promote existing student Learning Supports for academic success and social-emotional well-being to improve student understanding of resources available.

Truth & Reconciliation, Diversity and Inclusion Actions

Identify places across curriculum where Indigenous ways of being, belonging, doing and knowing can be weaved into teacher practice and then design new learning tasks ▪ Make Departmental TRC commitments more visible throughout the year via actions and displays that highlight important dates in Indigenous calendars. ▪ Ensure all students see their culture reflected in our school by implementing culturally responsive pedagogy and highlight dates important to school's cultural demographic.

Budget

- School is funded by a process called the Resource Allocation Method (RAM). The RAM is designed to allocate resources equitably while providing choice in the assignment and deployment of those resources to meet the unique needs of students within their schools. Not all resources for the school are allocated through the RAM. Other school costs are paid for centrally, such as utility costs, transportation costs, custodial services and many other costs that are managed on behalf of the school.
 - budget amount \$8,731,610 2025-2026
 - At least 75% of budgets funds cover staffing and remaining portion covers instructional costs
 - enrollment 1459, lower than projected
 - High school fees are tied to courses, user pay system
 - Gathering your Feedback
 - opportunity to give feedback was given, survey provided.
- b. Grade 9 tours and Open House January 15th, 2026
- will be toured around, students will be in class so grade 9 students are encouraged to go in the evening with parents to see areas they may not be able to see during the day
- c. Junior basketball tournament information
- Robert Thirsk didn't have a basketball coach for their Jr. Girls Basketball so they do not have a Jr. Girls team. They were going to cancel their annual tournament. Bowness took it over and ran the tournament. Shout out to Staff that are willing to step up and provide opportunities for kids.
- d. MainStage production of Lost Girl was a resounding success. An outstanding job done by everyone involved.
- e. A Touch of Class- Culinary does full turkey dinner for staff. Everyone enjoyed the food and being able to sit and eat with colleagues.
- f. Thank you – Christmas events and upcoming luncheon



Massive turnout for Christmas event by staff. Thank you to the School Council for its funds in supporting the event.

g. Any questions?

- Construction for three new classrooms, coming along, ran into some troubles with mechanical. Should be up and running by fall

Q. Any word on Diploma exams for Semester 2

A. No word yet. Hopefully an announcement will be made soon.

6. SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATES

a. Agenda for Trustee Visit

- Booked new Trustee Jenny Regal for the March meeting. Leanne has asked us to send in some email questions in advance so Jenny can be prepared

b. Alberta School Council Engagement Grant (ASCE)

- Received Email from Tuscany school council to see if we want to combine the \$500 ASCE cards and do a joint event.
- Suggestions were adhd workshop, learning disabilities, Resilience talk, Dare to care.
- Leanne can run an AI workshop sponsored by the University of Calgary

Lisa made a motion to use the \$500 Alberta School Council Engagement (ASCE) Grant on an AI presentation delivered by UofC presented by Leanne Morrow. Second by Shan. All in Favour. Motion passed.

- We will have to confirm the date and do some sort of sign up.

c. School Council Positions

- We need someone to be the Key Communicator. Person would be responsible to attend CBE meetings and report back to our School Council. Meetings typically are attended virtually.
- We also need a backup treasurer to begin shadowing Lisa.
- Suggestion to reach out to feeder schools and let them know of council needs.

7. NEW BUSINESS-No new business

8. NEXT MEETING DATE -Tuesday, February 10th, 2026

9. ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn the school council meeting was moved by Lisa T., seconded by Santana, all in favour 7:57pm

Attendance: Jana M., Leanne M., Lisa T., Heather J., Pam C., Marla R., Santana C., Sarah Jane, Shan R., Rob, Chris D., Sam R. Cindy, Cheryl A.