

**Samuel W. Shaw School Council Meeting Minutes - Annual General Meeting
Thursday, September 18, 2025, SWS Boardroom**

Attendance (12)

Melinda Gombert - Chairperson	Colton Mercier
Melanie Hersom	Denis Bekkering
Nicole Klein	Kerry Green - Assistant Principal
Juli Kriel	Shannon Wolframe - Assistant Principal
Shayla Heath	Bobbi Kivi - Principal
Lena Chalmers	
Sky Mercier	

1.0 Meeting called to order by Melinda Gombert at 6:32 pm. Quorum achieved.

2.0 Melinda Gombert motioned for approval of the meeting minutes for the June 19, 2025 meeting. Seconded by Sky Mercier.

3.0 Melinda Gombert motioned for approval of the agenda for the September 18, 2025 meeting. Seconded by Shayla Heath.

4.0 Standing Business - Principal's Report/School Update

Principal Bobbi Kivi noted that the school's enrollment is at 851 (846 was projected), and that they have 41 teachers and 13 support staff. She added that the number of students learning English as an additional language is quite high. She also stated that the school is trying to figure out the best use of their Human Resources funding, and that they will be transparent.

Bobbi reported that Mr. Hilton is currently running shop class out of an empty classroom, as the shop is under construction. The shop is expected to be available again by February 1st.

Bobbi noted that their teaching team's guiding question this year is "what is a high-functioning team?" and that staff will look to explore this question. She also highlighted some of the key elements of the School Development Plan: belonging, inclusion, diversity, truth and reconciliation.

Bobbi pointed out that the school has moved from a "waterfall" to an "A-Day"/"B-Day" schedule, which is more predictable - however, options may vary for students. Bobbi stated that staff voted on some of these types of decisions in May, which enhanced teacher engagement.

Assistant Principal Kerry Green stated that the concept of students as individual human beings is at the heart of what they do, and highlighted that all students have different learning needs. She reported that a space off of the Learning Commons has been developed where Educational Assistants can work with students with different needs. This “Engagement Space” is continuously staffed by administration. Students are given passes to enter if permitted/encouraged by teachers, and they are given clear expectations..

Assistant Principal Shannon Wolframe reported that cameras had been installed at the school, which provides views of all hallways and the outside perimeter. She added that there are very strict rules regarding accessing camera data, which are covered by Alberta’s FOIP prescriptions. Bobbi pointed out that the cameras are for security purposes, due to past issues (including multiple instances of vandalism).

5.0 Dissolving Old Council/Establishing New Council

Sky Mercier motioned to dissolve the old council, which was seconded by Denis Bekkering.

Denis Bekkering motioned for Sky Mercier to serve as the council Chairperson. This was seconded by Colton Mercier.

Denis Bekkering motioned for Colton Mercier to serve as the council Vice Chairperson. This was seconded by Sky Mercier.

Sky Mercier motioned for Denis Bekkering to serve as the council Secretary. This was seconded by Shayla Heath.

The Key Communicator position remains vacant.

6.0 Next Meeting

Will be held at the SWS boardroom, at 6:30 pm, Thursday, October 16, 2025 (barring any strike action).

7.0 Adjournment

Melinda Gombert motioned for the meeting to be adjourned at 6:56 pm. This was seconded by Denis Bekkering