

Millen Woods School Council

September 16th, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Welcome and Introductions - Ashley

- Meeting called to order at 6:39 PM
- Attendance taken (see attached)
- Land Acknowledgement
- Motion to approve September Agenda - Jake Billo
- Motion to approve June 2026 Minutes - Erin Evans
- Introductions
- Overview of Council & Mission Statement

Administration Report - Serena

- Enrollment = 305 students
- Smooth start to school; still getting new registrations
- Weeks 3-5 are when classes would get moved around; new splits, board-dependent
- 6 new teachers - OCT staff = 18, not including Serena
 - Music and Gym: Mr. Rappolt
 - Core French: Ms. Dutrisac
 - Grade 1: Mrs. MacTavish
 - Grade 2-3: Mrs. Scanlan
 - Grade 3-4: Ms. Colwill
 - Grade 5-6: Ms. Reynolds
- Bus Safety Patrol Program - 6 kids showing interest
- Open House and Meet the Community night was great
 - Successful doing a different night than LBP
 - Food trucks were great and want to come back
 - Los Rolling Tacos did not show
 - Mega Cone and Marquez Churros were very successful
- Serena pre-booked the gym for event nights in the future
- Health exemptions - update
 - Info on WRDSB site - 20 days in advance form will be sent for selection
- Friday, Sept. 18th is Terry Fox Walk and Welcome Assembly

Finance Report - Erin

- Ended last year with \$17,875.98 in revenue
 - Expenses (including Kindie playground) - \$57,112.63 (\$44,586.57 for the kindergarten playground)
 - More wishlist expenses still coming through
 - Ending balance for next year: \$27,707.19
- Meet the community night profits/ food truck donations: \$165.17

- Refer to attached:
 - MWPS Council_Finance Report_2025-26 for more details
 - MWPS Council_Finance Report_2026-27 for more details

Presentation of 2026-2027 budget (approved in June 2026)

- Not much pressure for fundraising this year
- ESNS Lunch program and Friday Popcorn Days are our largest fundraisers
- Mabel's Labels, Factory Shoes are ongoing fundraisers that can always be used.
- Other events/fundraisers planned for the year: Winter Wonderland, Dance-a-thon, movie night, ice cream sandwiches, Year End Social (changing this year - photo booth fundraiser)
- Approved budget has revenue of \$17,050 and expenses of \$27,900
- Expect surplus at the end of the year is approximately \$14,000
- Refer to attached:
 - MWPS Council_Approve Budget_2026-27 for more details

2026-2027 Council Position - Ashley

- Overview of positions:
 - Co-Chair
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary
 - Communications Officer
 - IT Officer
 - Voting and Non-Voting Members

New Business - Ashley

Meet the Committee/Book Fair - Feedback

- Families voiced concern about the time - would like to see it later into the night for those who work
- Book Fair would like to see a before-school option in addition to after school

Snack & Lunch Program

- Apples
- ESNS
 - Domino's Pizza every Tuesday
 - Boston Pizza, Subway, Sushi99 and GuacMexi alternating for Thursdays
 - 1st Friday of the month ice cream, currently Menchie's
 - Four All is an option; need to have them sign up with ESNS
- Popcorn/Ice Cream Sandwiches
 - Popcorn Fridays when Menchie's is not offered
 - Popcorn is from Farm to Table
 - Ice Cream sandwiches will be for sale one day in April, May and June

- Gluten Free, Dairy Free and Regular options will be available

Action Item: Emily to reach out to ESNS and Four All

Action Item: Ashley to provide ESNS contact to Emily

Fundraising Calendar - Review

- Refer to attached:
 - MWPS Council_Fundraising Calendar_2026-27 for more details

Movie Night - November 12 - Subcommittee

- Jake has agreed to do tech support
- Ashley will run popcorn
- Families requested pizza pre-orders

Action Item: Jake to schedule a dry run with Serena

Action Item: Ashley to order popcorn and schedule volunteers to help

Action Item: Pradeep to coordinate pizza pre-order with Domino's

Action Item: Swedha to develop school day post

Cold Weather Clothing Drive - Volunteer Required

- Sanddown Public School has reached out requesting donations
 - Boots, coats, snowpants, hats, mitts, scarves
 - Kids and adult sizes
- Event 2 weeks will run for 2 weeks
 - October 1 through 14
- Volunteer to coordinate - Radina

Action Item: Swedha to develop school day post

Attendance Sheet - voting & non-voting members

- Refer to attached:
 - MWPS Council_Attendance Sheet_Sept 16, 2026 for more details

Formation of the 2026 - 2027 School Council

- Executive Positions
 - Co-Chairs - Jake Billo and Derek Kursikowski
 - Treasurer - Erin Evans
 - Communications Officer - Swedha Shinde
 - Secretary - Hannah Weir
 - Technology Officer - Jake Billo
 - Volunteer Coordinator - Ashley working this out
- Voting vs. Non-Voting Member determined

Future Council Meetings

- It was agreed that Council meetings would be adjusted from monthly to every 6 - 8 weeks
- Meetings will be offered online only
- Next meetings are scheduled for:
 - October 28, 2026
 - December 9, 2026

Action Item: Swedha to develop school day post

Adjournment - Ashley - 8:07 PM

The next School Council Meeting is scheduled for **October 28, 2026 @ 6:30 PM** and **December 9, 2026 at 6:30 PM (virtual only)**

THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU FOR CONTRIBUTING YOUR TIME AND EFFORT TO BE A PART OF MILLEN WOODS SCHOOL COUNCIL!