MINUTES OF THE A.E. CROSS SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Date:	Thurs., Sept. 17, 2026
Location:	Learning Commons
Time:	6:00 pm
Present: Regrets:	J. Leopatra (Chair), A. Wilkes (Treasurer), K. Wilkes (Vice-Chair), M. Benson, H. Herron, A. Rosa, L. Tate, M. McKay, A. Suldina, E. Meldrum, D. Burden (Assistant Principal), T. Greenlaw (Principal)

1. Call to Order: J. Leopatra called the meeting to order at 6:07 PM

2. Welcome, Introductions and Acknowledgment of the Land: J. Leopatra gave the land acknowledgement.

3. Approval of Minutes & Agenda

3.1 Approval of Minutes of May 14: No changes suggested. K. Waites moved to approve the minutes. A. Waites seconded. Carried

3.2 Approval of Agenda: J. Leopatra moved to approve the agenda. A. Waites seconded. Carried

4. School Update – Tanis Greenlaw, Principal

- Ms. Greenlaw introduced herself and Ms. Burden, both new to the school.
- A focus right now is helping new Grade 7 students connect to their community, get used to working with a number of teachers. Social Emotional Learning – school norms, structures and routines, supports
- There's a new lead teacher for Social Emotional Learning – Mr. Kerwin
- Key dates
    - Sept 18 – Terry Fox Run
    - Sept. 24 – Open House/Meet the Teacher 5:45-7PM
- School Council meeting dates: see photo I took of slide. These dates will be up on the school web site in a couple of days.
- Student numbers are down a little bit this year, around 510 students.

5. Reports

5.1 Chair (J. Leopatra):

- Nothing to report.

5.2 Secretary (H. Ganshorn):

- Nothing to report

6. Liaison Reports

6.1 **COSC (H. Ganshorn):** Nothing to report

6.2 **Band:** J. Leopatra. Band Parents AGM is Sept. 29 at 7PM. Mr. Rattan will send out a notice.

6.3 **Spanish:** No Spanish liaison currently. J. Leopatra to connect with one of the other parents who might be interested in serving in this role. We have an exchange student from Spain staying for a month right now.

7. Committee Reports

7.1 **Fun Lunch / Healthy Hunger:** M. Benson and E. Meldrum will serve as co-coordinators.

7.2 **Staff Appreciation (E. Meldrum):** Do we want to do something for Meet the Teacher? Small snacks. For future catered events, contact for us is Ms. Burden. 3 catered meals – two P/T interviews, and end of year. December snacks. Possible "fill the fridge" drive – ask teachers what they like to have on hand.

7.3 **Volunteer Coordinator (Vacant):** E. Meldrum has info from having done it before, but we would like another volunteer.

7.4 **Grade 9 Farewell:** Need to send a call-out to the grade 9 parents asking for a volunteer. J. Leopatra to send a description of the role to Ms. Greenlaw for distribution to the Grade 9 families.

7.5 **Presentations/Resources for Families:** Possible topics – AB Lung Association has a presentation on vaping, could maybe also get a speaker on online gambling. Possible other topic – presentation on consent and online behaviour.

8. Old Business

8.1 None.

9.

New Business/Open Dialogue

9.1 None.

10. Adjournment: J. Leopatra adjourned the meeting at 7:19. Next meeting: October 15, 2026

Prepared By:	H. Ganshorn (Secretary)	
Approved by members:	October 15, 2026	