

# A Vision for School Council



*With the merging of two existing schools and the emergence of a number of discussions regarding modernization, class configurations and adjustments to how business is accomplished in our school, the opportunity for a new vision for School Council has emerged.*

	WME School Council	Claresholm Schools Fundraising Society
<b>Purpose</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advise the principal on issues related to:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School program planning and priorities</li> <li>Budget allocations</li> <li>School policy</li> <li>Overall school mission and vision</li> </ul> </li> <li>Suggest coordination of funds to support directions of the school</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coordinate fundraising efforts related to:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hot Lunch programs</li> <li>All other fundraising efforts</li> </ul> </li> <li>Approve funds to support directions of the school (as determined by school council)</li> <li>Seek out and obtain sponsorship collaborations</li> </ul>
<b>Comprised of</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parents</li> <li>Principal</li> <li>Community representative</li> <li>Executive elected – membership open</li> <li>Student representatives</li> <li>Trustees</li> <li>Staff representatives</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parents</li> <li>Principal</li> <li>Executive and membership elected</li> <li>Student representatives</li> <li>Staff representatives</li> </ul>
<b>Governed by</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operational Principles</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operational Principles</li> </ul>
<b>Notes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agenda includes business and discussion items</li> <li>Agenda advertised a week in advance – discussion items not to be added without advance notice</li> <li>Meeting focused on discussion and involvement, rather than reporting and informational items</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider funding suggestions from school council, teachers and students – does not examine ways to spend funds that are not sought</li> <li>Work with the school to coordinate fundraising efforts</li> </ul>

## Additional Notes:

- Council agenda determined by Council Chair and Principal and distributed to families – agenda additions accepted until one week in advance or placed on upcoming agenda
- Discussion items for school council may be supported by presentations or guests, to enlighten and inform discussion
- WME Society meeting typically to follow School Council meeting on a regular basis – operational principles and meeting dates to be determined