ANGLOPHONE WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT	**GOVERNANCE POLICIES**
Policy Type	**Governance Process**
Policy Name	**Governance Style**
Policy Number	**ASD-W-GP1**
Effective Date: September 20, 2012	**Revised: May 31, 2018**

Policy:

The Anglophone West District Education Council will govern with an emphasis on organizational vision; encourage diversity in viewpoints; focus on strategic leadership; observe clear distinction between Council and Superintendent roles; make collective decisions; exhibit future orientation; and govern proactively.

Principles of Policy Governance:

• The District Education Council as a body has the responsibility to serve the general public.
• The District Education Council exists to govern the school system; the office of the Superintendent is to manage the school system.
• The District Education Council has many roles and responsibilities, student learning shall remain its primary mandate.

Accordingly, the Council shall:

1. Cultivate a sense of group responsibility. The Council will be responsible for excellence in governing. The Council will respect the expertise of individual Council members to enhance the ability of the Council as a body. The Council will work in collaboration with the Superintendent, staff, students, parents and the community.

2. Hold itself accountable for governing with excellence. The standard will apply to attendance, preparation for meetings, adherence to policy-making principles, respect of roles, and ensuring effective current and future governance.

3. Direct, control and inspire the district through the careful establishment of written policies.

4. Promote Council's growth, which will include orientation of new members of the Council, through continued Professional Development.

5. Council members and committees of the Council shall support the mandate of the Council.

6. Periodically monitor the Council's process and performance and discuss the results as a means of continual improvement. Self-monitoring shall include comparison of Council activity and discipline to policies in the Governance Process and Council-Staff Relationship categories.

MONITORING:

Method(s)	Frequency	Month
• **Council Self Evaluation**	• **1 time per year**	• **December**