

Miles Macdonell Alumni Association
60th Anniversary Committee
Monday, June 7th, 2010 – Library

In attendance: Jim Smith, Chair, Tracy MacDonald, Donna Cudmore, Vivien Laurie, Susan Tighe, David Chan, Mark Szymanski and Maureen Silk as Recording Secretary.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Louise Bowles from Mesa Advertising gave a presentation on some of the merchandise that is available and what she currently supplies to the school. She indicated that off catalogue pricing would be offered closer to the date of the Anniversary once we have decided what products and quantities to order. She left two catalogues for us to peruse.

Mark advised he is currently organizing the 10 year reunion for the Class of 2000 to be held in September, 2010. There will be a social evening at Bronx Park Community Centre. Attendees will start at the school and participate in a scavenger hunt on the way to the community centre. A slide show of baby photos along with graduation photos will be shown throughout the evening.

Vivien provided some suggestions for the Open House. She would like to have a variety of activities taking place, such as beach volleyball over at Melrose Community Centre and basketball games going on in the gym. As well different food stations could be placed throughout the school, such as a pig roast, hot dog vendors and have popcorn and cotton candy for the kids. Different musical groups could be performing in various areas, using both current and former music students. Vivien will be assigning students and staff to co-ordinate all these Open House events. Vivien also suggested we could reconsider the decision not to hold a beer garden.

Jim indicated a decision needs to be made for a date and venue if we're going to host a Bud, Spud and Steak fundraiser. Tracy gave a brief overview of what information she currently has. It was agreed to go with CanadInns, as they did not require a minimum amount of attendees. The date of Friday, November 5th, 2010 was selected and Tracy will check with MyBar and Cowboys to see if they are available. As the Grad Committee will be partnering with us on this event, Tracy will check with Shelley to see if that date works for them. If not, an alternate date will be selected.

Tracy also suggested some other fundraisers that could be done in partnership with the Grad Committee. These include selling Sobey's gift cards, Mom's Pantry, conducting car washes, etc. Tracy would like to canvass the Grad parents to see what they would be willing to participate in. Maureen suggested conducting a survey when the Alumni group assists with the BBQ at the Open House on September 16th, 2010. Donna suggested

having a table set up to provide information about the 60th Anniversary. We could sell tickets to the Bud, Spud and solicit Silent Auction items.

Tracy asked for ideas regarding the information line. She has already set up a hotmail address, but could only get the name *mmdcreunion*. Mark suggested setting up a domain in conjunction with the current alumni link, such as info@mmcalumni.com. Jim will send Mark some information and Mark will assist with creating the website.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH
AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE LIBRARY**