

Miles Macdonell Alumni Association
60th Anniversary Committee
Monday, January 7th, 2008 – Library

In attendance: Ron Storozuk, Jim Smith, Jim Atkin, Susan Tighe, Brenda McConaghy, Debb Brethauer, Stan Carbone, Vivien Laurie and Maureen Silk as Recording Secretary.

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Event dates were set at the last meeting as being the weekend of June 29th to July 1st, 2012. Ron has not yet contacted the Concert Hall or Convention Centre as to their availability.

Brenda suggested that as the 50th was a large event, and the 75th would be another milestone, the 60th Anniversary could be scaled down and just held over a two day period (Saturday and Sunday) instead of three. This would also accommodate out of town guests who may arrive on the Friday and lower the costs, which might encourage more alumni to attend. Also, having the musical revue on a Saturday evening reduces the possibility of having the venues already booked for high school commencements.

An Open House would be held at the school on the Sunday and this could also be tied in with a beer garden at Melrose Community Centre. A live band would not be needed.

Jim advised he received an e-mail from Joan Newton, a former English teacher, who made the following suggestions:

- organize an alumni basketball, baseball or volleyball game;
- hold a mock debate;
- put on a skit;
- hold an event for former teachers.

Discussion was held on ways to contact former students without going to the expense of a mass mailing. Vivien will check with the School Division regarding privacy laws pertaining to the release of address lists.

It was agreed that the teachers should be more visible. At the 50th, a tea was held for them in the Library, but this precluded them mingling with former students.

Brenda suggested using current students to design and print up the registration package. She also suggested using Ticketmaster to distribute tickets for the event, but Ron feels we would lose control and add an unnecessary expense as GST would have to be charged.

Brenda advised she would create a time line as to when the information should start going out as well as list of sub-committees that would be required. Once that has been established, it might be easier getting volunteers to assist.

Vivien suggested working some Bingos at the Casinos to generate some start-up funds.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 7th, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library.

Agenda

1. Follow-up on Venue(s)
2. Ways to contact alumni
3. Ticket prices
4. Timeline
5. Sub-Committees