

Miles Macdonell Alumni Association  
60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee  
Monday, September 14th, 2009 – Library

In attendance: Jim Smith, Chair, Susan Tighe, Tracy MacDonald, Rachelle Devine, Donna Cudmore, Judy Mussell, Grace Kuz, Adam Johnston, Vivien Laurie, Debb Brethauer, Ron Storozuk and Maureen Silk as Recording Secretary.

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Jim asked if anyone would be interested in contacting members who have attended past 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary meetings to remind them of the meeting dates, and Rachelle volunteered to do so.

Jim briefed everyone on the ideas put forward for the upcoming anniversary. He indicated only two days have been scheduled as some out-of-towners are unable to attend any Friday evening events due to their travel schedule.

Ron advised he still has not heard anything from the Concert Hall regarding the rental of their venue for our event.

Judy suggested the possibility of getting some of the classes together on the Friday night, but Jim indicated this would have to be organized on an individual basis.

Jim indicated we need to identify people to volunteer for specific areas and get some Committees struck, such as determining what souvenirs to sell.

Jim advised all yearbooks have been digitized and these can be sold. It was discussed at the last alumni meeting about getting someone to underwrite the costs of purchasing the memory sticks that these yearbooks can be put on, but nothing has been followed up on.

Jim indicated someone who has knowledge of creating websites is needed to post our information and block out the spam. Grace asked if members of the computer class would do it, but Jim advised the teacher is reluctant. Rachelle advised she knows a couple of guys who work at the University of Manitoba in the multi-media department and might be interested. Jim indicated a volunteer would be nice, but we may have to pay someone to do the job.

Grace suggested requesting that donations go to the reunion for working capital for the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, rather than the scholarship fund, but Ron indicated the Committee would like to get the scholarship fund up to \$100,000.00. Ron advised what fundraising events were held before the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the amount raised. These monies

provided the start-up funds used to make deposits so no one on the Committee was out of pocket.

Jim stressed the importance of contacting alumni to advise them of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and getting them to assist with the planning of it. He advised he sent a general message through Classmates and did get some responses. Class reps are needed, but a lot of the ones who worked on the 50<sup>th</sup> are not interested in working on the 60<sup>th</sup>. Maureen advised that radio personalities Beau and Tom are both alumni and perhaps they could be approached to advertise the Anniversary as well as any upcoming fundraising events.

Vivien suggested creating a timeline to determine what needs to be done and when.

Discussion held about having a fundraising event. Adam volunteered to call some venues regarding a Bud, Spud and Steak night. This could be held sometime in the latter half of January, 2010, giving members lots of time to sell tickets and obtain silent auction items.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 2nd, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library.

The Alumni AGM will be held on Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in Room 33.