

Miles Macdonell Alumni Association Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, March 22nd, 2010
Room #33

Present: Ron Storozuk, Chair, Jim Smith, Shelly Makus, Vivien Laurie, Jim Atkin, Tracy MacDonald, Debb Brethauer, Donna Cudmore and Maureen Silk as Recording Secretary.

Regrets: Leanne Slobodian, Lorrie Rogalka, Rachelle Devine and Susan Tighe.

Absent: Gina Staples.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Ron granted Vivien Laurie a voting right.

Motioned by Vivien Laurie and seconded by Shelly Makus to approve the Agenda as circulated. Carried.

Motioned by Jim Smith and seconded by Jim Atkin to approve the Minutes of the Directors Meeting held on February 1st, 2010 as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising

- There was no financial statement available. Ron advised he and Leanne will transfer the account to the Crosstown Credit Union in early May.
- Jim Smith advised he contacted someone that Lorrie knows about deleting the message board, but hasn't heard back as to whether he is able to do so. There are currently 11,000 spam messages showing. Someone is still required to set up a new website;
- Vivien advised representatives from John Henderson, Munroe, Polson and Neil Campbell schools attended the February 24th Parent Council meeting and heard a presentation on cyber bullying, which was very interesting and informative. The next meeting will be March 23rd and someone from the Apprenticeship Branch of Manitoba will speak on how students can enroll in this program and earn up to 8 credits towards their diploma;
- Vivien provided the following update on school activities:
 - o The School Board has cut a Teacher/Librarian position;
 - o A theatre tour of London and a music tour of London and Paris start this week;
 - o The Buckeye girls hockey team won the CTV Championship;
 - o Construction will take place over the summer. Two elevators will be installed; wheelchair access washrooms will be put on each floor; the cafeteria is being redesigned; a MMC acrylic plaque will be installed and the school motto will be inscribed on the risers of the steps;
 - o Vivien is currently working on restricting the number of Grade 10 students to be allowed to enroll next year, due to staffing decreases;

- The National Council of Teachers of English will present the MMC Pulse magazine with its award of excellence on April 15th at McNally Robinson Bookstore, Grant Park Shopping Centre, commencing at 8:00 p.m. Coffee and dessert will be available for purchase. A dinner will be held at 6:30 p.m. prior to the presentation and interested Committee members may contact lmcmaster@retsd.mb.ca for reservations.
- Vivien has booked the school for Sisters of the Holy Rock on April 10th, 2011 and will speak to the Grad Committee to see if they are interested in partnering with us for ticket sales;
- Vivien advised a meeting was held with members of the Ad Hoc Committee working on the Alumni Honour Board. The members have visited other schools which already have one and are now deciding on designs and establishing criteria for choosing honorees. Vivien hopes to have it installed by the front door (Roch Street entrance) in June, 2011;
- Discussion held regarding the upcoming 60th Anniversary. Ron advised the Concert Hall has been booked but they do not provide food services. Other places such as the Fairmont or Delta will have to be contacted to get prices. Costs regarding the musical revue and other expenditures (ushers/stage hands etc.) still have to be worked out, but we are looking at \$70 to \$80 per person for attending the weekend;
- Shelly spoke on the Bingo Volunteer Program. It doesn't look like the Alumni Committee is eligible to apply, but the Parent Council would be. Vivien will ask at the next meeting if they would be willing to lend their name to the application;
- Vivien suggested that the Alumni Committee sell food (hamburgers/hotdogs) at the Open House to be held in early September. She will speak to the staff and confirm the date;
- Tracy is still awaiting confirmation regarding a Bud, Spud and Steak fundraiser. The venue she likes is at Alfie's on Keewatin near Inkster. They will close off their restaurant and lounge and allow us to run a Silent Auction as well as any other events. Vivien will approach members of the Grand Committee to see if they will partner with us;
- Jim Smith advised the next Reunion Committee meeting will be held on Monday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the Library. Vivien sent out a memo to the staff requesting a Co-Chair, but has not had any response. Ron will approach Garry Bowles to see if he is interested in the position;
- Shelly circulated a logo design for the 60th Anniversary.

New Business

There was none.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 10th at 7:00 p.m. in room 33.

Minutes Taken By:

Minutes Approved By:

Maureen Silk
Secretary

Ronald N. Storozuk
Chair