

Miles Macdonell Alumni Association Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting and Annual General Meeting
Monday, November 5, 2007
Library 7:00 p.m.

Present: Ron Storozuk, Chair, Jim Smith, Susan Tighe, Leanne Slobodian, Lorrie Rogalka, Shelly Makus, Jim Atkin, Donna Cudmore, Debb Brethauer, Gina Staples, Vivien Laurie and Maureen Silk as Recording Secretary.

Also present: Carrie Gillis and Giada Romeo

Absent: Ian Martens.

Board of Directors Meeting called to order at 7:09 p.m.

Ron advised Bill Podolsky has resigned from the Committee, and Vivien Laurie has been granted a voting right.

Motioned by Jim Smith and seconded by Donna Cudmore to approve the meeting Agenda as circulated. Carried.

Motioned by Lorrie Rogalka and seconded by Leanne Slobodian to approve the Minutes of the Directors Meeting of September 17th, 2007 as circulated. Carried.

Delegation

Vivien introduced Carrie Gillis, Drama and Language Arts teacher and Giada Romeo, student, who spoke briefly on the plans to publish a Journal in the Spring of 2008. Over 50 students attended the first meeting and there is a lot of interest in reviving the former 757 creative writing publication. Submissions of fiction, non fiction, poetry and visuals will be accepted. The finished product will be approximately 50 pages in length and the students are looking to have it professionally published. Advertisers will be sought to help defray some of the costs. Donna advised she would volunteer some time with editing and Shelly agreed to assist with the layout and cover.

Motioned by Jim Smith and seconded by Donna Cudmore to donate the sum of \$500.00 towards the cost of publishing a creative writing journal. Carried.

Business Arising

- Leanne submitted a financial statement as at June 30th, 2007. The account has a current balance of \$4,000.32;

Motioned by Leanne Slobodian and seconded by Lorrie Rogalka to approve the financial statement as circulated. Carried.

- Jim Smith advised the website is getting a lot of hits, approximately 70 per day. A notation has been added regarding donations that can be made to the scholarship fund. The previously motioned grant to the Creative Writing Club will also be included;
- Jim Smith advised he has attended the last two Parent Association meetings held on September 18th and October 16th. One of the topics discussed was the development of a policy regarding threat assessment. A link could be added to our website to promote this initiative;
- Vivien provided the following activity report:
 - o three new programs are being introduced. Teaching for Today's Technology – where the goal is to provide a computer in each learning space in order for students to become more digitally efficient; Assessment – where a priority team is helping staff evaluate students and create a new senior student report card; and scheduling a Positive Behaviour Model in an effort to make the school a safe environment;
 - o a Nutrition policy is being developed;
 - o the Music students are going to Austria;
 - o the annual ski trip to British Columbia is being planned;
 - o the musical production of Fame will be held on December 3rd, 4th and 5th;
 - o the annual Craft Sale will be held December 1st;
 - o the Christmas Concert is scheduled for December 13th;
 - o current enrollment of the school is 1,284.
- Lorrie provided an update of the upcoming Sisters of the Holy Rock concert. 55 tickets have been sold to date. The Good Neighbours Club and many of the Seniors Homes have been approached. Vivien advised she will have posters displayed around the school and post the information on the sign board. Coat racks will not be required. Vivien will check on the availability of the gym on November 24th. If there is nothing scheduled, the stage and chair setup may take place at that time instead of Sunday morning;
- Jim Smith gave a brief report on the meeting held on October 15th regarding the upcoming 60th Anniversary. He advised he and Brenda McConaghy will Co-chair the Committee. The event is scheduled for June 29th and 30th, 2012. It has not yet been decided whether July 1st will be used as well. The Concert Hall and Convention Centre are being looked at as possible venues and an Open House will be held at the school. The next meeting will be held on January 7th, 2008. The biggest job will be collecting data regarding the students' addresses. Vivien advised she will check on what data can be released that will not conflict with any privacy laws.

Motioned by Susan Tighe and seconded by Leanne Slobodian that Jim Smith and Brenda McConaghy be appointed as Co-Chairs of the 60th Anniversary celebration. Carried.

Motioned by Jim Smith and seconded by Shelly Makus to adjourn the Board of Directors Meeting at 8:25 p.m. Carried.

Annual General Meeting

Ron called the meeting to order at 8:25 p.m.

Motioned by Debb Brethauer and seconded by Gina Staples to approve the meeting Agenda as circulated. Carried.

Motioned by Susan Tighe and seconded by Lorrie Rogalka to ratify the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of November 6th, 2006 as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising

Ron advised a pizza lunch was held for the EAL students when the benches were installed.

Election of Officers.

Motioned by Debb Brethauer and seconded by Shelly Makus to approve the same slate of Officers (Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary) for an additional one year term. Carried.

Motioned by Lorrie Rogalka and seconded by Jim Atkin to approve the slate of existing Directors for a one year term (with the exception of Bill Podolsky). Carried.

Ron advised the number of required Board meetings have been held since the Annual General Meeting in November, 2006.

Motioned by Jim Smith and seconded by Leanne Slobodian to waive the approval of an Auditor. Carried.

Motioned by Debb Brethauer and seconded by Donna Cudmore to ratify the fact that the AGM was being held on November 5th, 2007 even though the By-laws state it must be held 120 days after June 30th, 2007. Carried.

New Business

The following meeting dates were proposed for 2008:

Monday, January 28, 2008

Monday, March 17, 2008

Monday, May 26, 2008

Ron thanked everyone for their dedication and continued support.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Minutes Taken By:

Minutes Approved By:

Maureen Silk
Secretary

Ronald N. Storozuk
Chair