

Miles Macdonell Alumni Association Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
September 17th, 2007 – Room #33 – 7:00 p.m.

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

Regrets: Gina Staples and Debb Brethauer.

Absent: Bill Podolsky

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

Ron introduced Vivien Laurie, who is the new Principal of the school, and welcomed her to the meeting.

Motioned by Jim Smith and seconded by Susan Tighe to approve the Agenda as circulated. Carried.

Motioned by Ian Martens and seconded by Donna Cudmore to approve the Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of June 18th, 2007 as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising

- Ron advised he and Jim attended the commencement exercises on June 26th. Three scholarships were awarded to Paul Szelemez, Shantel Ryback and Laura Hebert;
- Leanne submitted a financial report for the period April 1st to August 31st, 2007, indicating a balance of \$4,993.97.
Motioned by Leanne Slobodian and seconded by Shelly Makus to accept the financial report as submitted. Carried;
- Jim Smith advised the website has been receiving a lot of hits. He will ask Cindy to assign a new webmaster and have a separate page developed to promote the 60th Anniversary in 2012;
- Jim Smith advised the first Parent Association meeting for this year will be held September 18th;
- Vivien provided the following activity report:
 - o Over 1,300 students are currently enrolled, including 34 international students and 46 EAL students;
 - o The home opener football game will be held at the Kildonan East field on Thursday;
 - o Prodigy performed at the recent Terry Fox Run and will be performing with the Winnipeg Symphony on October 25th;
 - o The Undergraduate and I.B. Awards Ceremonies are coming up;
 - o The first lockdown drill will be conducted next week;
 - o First report cards are due in mid October;

- The Christmas concert will be held December 13th;
- Vivien has been asked to participate in the upcoming seniors fashion show
- Lorrie advised 120 tickets for the Sisters of the Holy Rock concert were given to the school office and close to 300 others have been distributed. The event is advertised on both the school's and the Sisters' websites. Two coat racks need to be ordered from the School Division. Vivien advised she will look after this. Two classrooms will be needed as change rooms for the performers and a supply of bottled water must be provided for them as well;
- Ron advised the 60th Anniversary has been noted on the website. He will approach a couple of the teachers to act as advisors on the Committee. Jim Smith advised a preliminary meeting will be held on October 15th at 7:00 p.m. in Room 33 in order to discuss the event.

New Business

- Ron suggested the discussion regarding the possibility of the Alumni Association sponsoring an event at the school such as a musical or sports tournament be tabled for another meeting;
- The AGM will be held on Monday, November 5th in the Library. Ron encouraged members to invite former students who might be willing to join the Alumni Committee;
- Jim Atkins submitted a donation to the Scholarship Fund in memory of his neighbour who recently passed away;
- Vivien submitted a proposal for consideration by the Alumni Committee to subsidize the newly created Editorial Board in order to publish a journal in the Spring of 2008. This journal would feature articles and commentaries written by students. One quote has been obtained regarding publication costs - \$325 for 50 copies, \$413 for 75 copies and \$1,200 for 300 copies. Donna volunteered to sit on the Board and assist the students, as she has a creative writing background. Vivien will invite some students to attend the next Alumni Committee meeting to discuss the matter in more detail and have them obtain further quotes on publishing costs;
- Ron invited interested members to attend the reading of David Milgaard's new book on September 22nd at Chapters, Polo Park.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes Taken By:

Minutes Approved By:

Maureen Silk
Secretary

Ronald N. Storozuk
Chair