**Transcona Collegiate Institute**

**Parent and Community Council Meeting**

**Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday, November 1st, 2011**

Present: Greg Daniels, Tomi Bowker, Teresa Cripps and Brenda Smith

1. **Welcome**
* Parents Tomi, Teresa and Brenda were welcomed and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.
1. **Review and adoption of minutes**
* Motion made by Teresa to accept the Minutes of October 4, 2011, as presented by Brenda Smith. Seconded by Tomi. Carried unanimously.
1. **Business Arising from the Minutes**
* No business arising from the minutes of October 4, 2011.
1. **Correspondence**
* A letter was received from Manitoba Association of Parent Councils (MAPC) outlining upcoming events.
1. **Administrator’s Report**
* The 7th Annual RETSD WSO concert will take place on November 2nd at 7:30 pm at the Centennial Concert Hall. Several choir students will be attending. Band preparations are underway for their trip to Banff in the spring. The upcoming Fall Concert will take place on Wednesday, November 30th at 7:00 pm at Jubilee Place and the Fall Jazz Concert will take place on Thursday, December 8th at 7:00 at Abundant Life Baptist Church.
* All volleyball teams are in playoffs. Basketball will start after volleyball is over. The hockey team has returned from their tournament in Dryden, Ontario where they placed 2nd.
* The undergrad awards were held on October 5th for grades 10, 11, and 12 for Honor Roll and highest marks.
* The school has had 5 fire drills and they will have 5 more in the spring. A practice lockdown was held on October 3rd and a practice bus evacuation was held on October 25th.
* A pep rally was held on October 6th. It was well attended by the student body. There were fun activities for the students to participate in. At the pep rally, all sports teams were announced.
* Located outside of the office is a list of all of the clubs at TCI and when and where they meet.
* We Day will be held on November 23rd. We Day focuses on global and local initiatives. Approximately 55 students and 5 staff will go to the MTS centre to participate in We Day activities. The Global Issues Group will host “The Night of a Thousand Dinners” on Friday, November 4th. Their goal is to raise at least $1,000 to remove one landmine.
* Interim Reports were sent out on Wednesday, October 6th. A mass email was sent out informing parents about the parent/teacher conferences for Thursday November 3rd from 5:30 to 8:30.
* Mr. Daniels will send out a mass email informing parents about the next parent council meeting.
* Take your kid to work day is on November 4th.
1. **New Business**
* Staff Appreciation - Discussion as to what dates were available to have treats brought in for the staff. Dates mentioned were April 20th – school goal setting; February 13th – 19th teacher appreciation week; or February 15th – early dismissal at 12:10 pm. It was decided that treats will be brought in on December 19th. Tomi will make some phone calls and get some prices and bring them to the next parent council meeting.
1. **Tri-School Update**
* The playground structure at Radisson school is up and being used. The bills are coming in and the money is being paid out from the grants that were received.
1. **Questions**
* Question regarding parent intervention program that was advertised on the school website. Another question was regarding the school ski trip in Assissippi. The question was: Is the trip open to all grades? The answer is yes, the trip is open to all grades. Question regarding the Europe Trip asking whether the trip for the students going in 2013 has been approved by the Board. Yes it has been approved. The final question was in regards to how decisions are made about what pictures are put into the yearbook. A discussion followed regarding this issue.
1. **Adjournment -**  The meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm

**Next meeting** –December 6th at 7:00 in the Conference Room