

**Miles Macdonell Collegiate
Parent Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 25th, 2011**

Chair, Colleen Kuilman, welcomed everyone and since there were a couple of new faces we did introductions around the table.

Guest speaker, Michele Catalano, Consellor at MMC spoke on the Transition from Senior Year to Post Secondary Schooling with a portion on Scholarships. She covered the application process, approximate costs and some information on other universities. Michele also gave some information on scholarships and covered some of the areas that MMC supports. We received some great handouts and found her very informative with all the areas we are approaching with a student in Grade 12. Ms Catalano would be a great person to meet with for anyone needing information on these items.

Reports

Staff and Music – B. McConaghy

December

- MMC Holiday Craft and Bake Sale – Dec. 4 – Music Department
- Cure-a-thon for Cancer Care – Dec. 2 – Cosmo Department
- Christmas Concert – Dec. 8 & 9 – Music Department
- Key Club Christmas Dinner – Dec. 13
- Student Council Senior Christmas Dinner Dec. 14

Cafeteria

- phase one of the cafeteria is now complete with new tables, chairs, countertops, high chairs, paint, recycle centre and microwave centre
- phase two to be started this summer with new lighting, tiling, tables, lunch benches and tables, etched glass doors/windows and artwork

January

- Mr. Zalis received awards January 11th . The Lieutenant Governor's Medal for the Advancement of Inter Religious Understanding as well as the Canadian Plaque for Ecumenism National Leadership Award

February

- Junior High tours happening with the help of the Student Council
- Grade 11- IB Great Escape at the University of Manitoba Feb. 28 – 80 student participants
- RETSD Divisional Peer Tutoring Conference at Melrose CC – 160 student participants – Feb. 25

March

- Brandon Jazz Festival – Greg Kostyra

Administration and Alumni- V. Laurie

- School closed in December with hot chocolate, cookies and caroling
- Provincial Exams – Jan. 10 – 13 English 40S; Jan. 17 – 19 Francais; Jan. 24 PreCalc; Jan. 25 Consumer Math; Jan. 26 and 27 Applied Math
- Note: Friday, February 4th – Inservice (No classes)
- Registration: Junior High Tours; Feb. 15 and 16 Parent Orientations; Feb. 24 Grande 10 IB Evening; March 10; Registration Day
- Semester 1 Report Cards – Feb. 16th
- Ski trip – Feb. 22 – Feb. 26 (Fernie B.C.)
- Open Houses – Feb. 22 – U of W and RRC; Feb.23 – U of M.
- Grad Fashion Show – Wed. March 2
- Interim Report Cards – Semester 2 – March 16
- Parent/Student/Teacher – Thurs. March 24 5:00 – 9:00 pm and Fri. March 25 1:00 – 3:15 pm
- Teachers Leaving; Mrs. Cockriell and Mrs. Gillis. Mrs. K. MacDonald coming back for Ms Steele.
- Alumni 60th Anniversary will be June 29 and 30th, 2012 at Miles Macdonell Collegiate. There will be a social and beer gardens on Friday and concerts on Saturday - walk through school, meet with friends and organized sports. Tickets will be \$35 - \$50 for former grads and teachers.

New Business

- No new business to report

Next meeting on Tuesday February 22nd – topic will be Social Media and the Adolescent – Guest Speaker...Ms Wanda McConnell RETSD Communications Department