

Parent Advisory Council Meeting

Minutes – November 20, 2012

Welcome and Introductions – Michelle Taylor, chairperson, welcomed all parents present and invited introductions.

1. Acceptance of October 23, 2012 Minutes. Moved by Geni Lehmann. Seconded by Tim Isfeld.
2. Correspondence
Manitoba Association of Parent Councils – Chairpersons Breakfast (January 19, 2013), Bully Forum (November 24, 2012)
3. School Reports
Staff Report- Presented by Brenda McConaghy
 - a) **Halloween School Dance** – was held on Thursday, October 25
 - b) **Grade 10PB - 7 Habit Workshops** – 2 sessions were held at Melrose Community Centre with over 65 students participating
 - c) **WE Day** – MMC Student Leadership Team represented our student body at this event
 - d) **Remembrance Day Services** – 4 services for our students were held on Friday, November 9th
 - e) **University Day** – 33 universities from across Canada were represented at MMC on Nov. 9 in the afternoon.
 - f) **Gwen Dyer Presentation** – on Friday, November 16 during Slot 5 Gwen Dyer, international journalist, made a presentation to our Social Studies students
 - g) **MMC Spirit Rally** – will be held in Gym A on Wednesday, November 21 during an extended lunch hour
 - h) **MMC Boys Hockey Trip to Chicago's Thanksgiving Hockey Classic Tournament** – November 21th to 25th
 - i) **Robb Nash Presentation** – motivational speaker to present on Monday, November 26th
 - j) **AAA Indspire Presentation** – a mining company presentation to our aboriginal students
 - k) **Guest Musicians at MMC** – Classical Guitarist – *Thibault Cauvin* (Nov. 8) and Alto Sax – *Ron Carter*, Professor from North Illinois University, advisor with Jazz at the Lincoln Centre in New York. (Nov. 27)

Dates to Note:

Music Holiday Craft Show at MMC on Saturday, December 1st
(10:00 am- 3:00 pm)

Almost Maine – Drama Production Dec. 3, 4, 5 (7:00 pm)

Cosmetology Annual Cure-A-Thon – Thursday, December 6

- b) Administration Report – Presented by Greg Daniels
- a) **Sports Highlights** –
- *MMC Buckeyes Football Team* made it up to the highest tier level of the football and made it to the final game against St. Pauls High School. Although our team lost, all of our players put forth a tremendous effort.
 - *MMC Volleyball Teams:* Junior Varsity Girls placed third in the provincials and the Junior Varsity won the Provincial Championship against Steinbach.
This Wednesday, November 21 both our Varsity Girls and Varsity Boys will play in the final four. Provincial finals will take place on Monday, November 26.
 - *Both MMC Girls and Boys Hockey teams* are in first place positions.
 - *Boys Indoor Soccer Team* – 2 wins 1 loss
- b) **New Report Cards** were distributed November 20th– a great deal of effort and time has been spent on producing this. Feedback: would like social behavior comments.
- c) **School Trips March 2013-14** – Costa Rica, Japan, France & Germany, Music Tour
- d) **Alumni Meeting November 19** – presented \$1000.00 towards a new MMC music website and \$2500.00 towards a new gym sign.
- e) **Important Dates:**
- Last day of school in 2012 – Friday, December 21st with 2:15 dismissal
 - First day back in 2013 – Monday, January 7th
 - Close of semester 1 – Friday, February 1st
 - Exams – January 28th – February 1st
 - March 14th will again be registration day where students sit down with the TA's to input next school year course requests
 - No meeting in December
 - Next meeting is on January 22nd, 2013

Happy Holidays to everyone and looking forward to a new year filled with great things at Miles Macdonell Collegiate!!!

4. Questions – trip questions, Senior Christmas Dinner
5. Next Meeting-January 22, 2013