

MCI Parent Advisory Council

Minutes- March, 2023

Date | time March 13, 2023/ 7pm | *Meeting called to order by* Leighann Quiring

In Attendance

Deanna Shurvel, Lloyd Shurvel, Kyle McKinstry, Leighann Quiring, Caroline Wiebe, Mark Borgfjord, Megan Romphf-Treloar, Susie Hiebert, Leisa Klassen, Penny Wilson.

Minutes

Minutes from February meeting circulated. Motion to approve minutes from February meeting be adopted as read-Moved by Mark, Seconded by Megan.

Treasurer's Report

Both the opening and closing balance for March was \$79.04, with no banking activity happening in the period. Motion made to accept the Treasurer's report as posted on MCI website. Moved by Deanna S., Seconded by Lloyd.

Principal's Report

Principal Kyle M. presented his report. See attached for more in depth information than what's below.

Ski trip dates to be amended the correct dates are March 16-17 2023.

How to Engage your child in meaningful conversation about school and the suggestions were discussed during the meeting. The engagement at home is just as important as the engagement of the child in the school day. Knowing what your child is feeling and thinking is important but they are not generally going to offer information or engage unless there are questions asked in the more approachable manner. Try the suggestions and see if there is conversation engagement.

There is a PD coming up March 20th for Indigenous awareness.

MADD presentation March 17th "final play"

MADD dramatization presentation about the tragic consequences of drinking and driving.

Ed Heppner- would like to have an MCI approach in co-development of the Youth Council position on Municipal Council there is a position in Portage and the Mayor has sent over the current model and what that would look like. Please ask Kyle for more information.

School Dance is coming up Wed. March 22 2023

Student Council

Student Council activities include: This was emailed to Megan Romphf-Treloar and read to the PAC

March – Pie in the face (food drive for CRC) March 3rd. Goal was 130 food items for Mr. McKinstry to be pied, we far exceeded that goal bringing in 266 food items for the CRC.

Reese Blyth, Rory Manns, Mr. Gaudet, Karter Gurke, Bailey Taylorson, Mrs. Polasek and Mr. McKinstry all got pied. You can find the videos on the MCI Facebook and Instagram.

Upcoming:

- Ski trip March 16-17
- Welcome to Hollywood Dance, March 22
- St. Patrick's Day activities with extended lunch.

Old Business

- Outdoor Kitchen- Megan has been in contact with Penny re: grants. Information simply needs to be streamlined for many grant applications.
 - Coop Community Spaces Grant – Has been applied for \$84,921.73 was applied for by Megan on behalf of the MCI and PAC. The name of the project is “oodenwii Kwizin” which means community Kitchen in Ojibway and Michif languages. The next grant Megan will be applying for on behalf of MCI/PAC for the kitchen will be the Westoba grant. There is another teacher wellness grant out but maybe the school should apply for that one.
- Fundraising- 50/50- at Chase the Ace. Deanna and Leighann will be attending the Chase the Ace on March 16th to assist with 50/50, a poster is needed and signage. The computer lab and Leighann will work on this. Megan will get the raffle tickets as Karla might not be there. Megan will Submit receipt and can be reimbursed later.
 - Kyle to send Megan a generic letter requesting support for funds- Kyle will send Megan a letter head and logo for donation letters etc.

New Business

- MCI PAC has been offered from the MES PAC the Threshermans reunion pancake breakfast there was a lot money raised last year and this would be a great opportunity to have money for next years bursary and extra funding. The date is July 30th and their PAC would serve breakfast and clean up. If there are tickets that would have be purchased that would be reimbursed from what we make to our PAC and volunteers after the breakfast from the proceeds. We need letters and Donations to come in. Megan and Deanna and Penny can work on this and anyone else who would like to help. The letters need to come sooner than later. Deanna will update next meeting. Students that got their food handlers should be utilized. MB pork producers, McCain's and others should be asked for Donations. Need 11 volunteers and 6 should be PAC.
- Sports for all funding, Jumpstart funding available for children who need help with sports fees.
- BBQ at end school year still would be a good idea
- \$5,000 Trans canada Energy

Next Meeting

April 17, 2023, at 7 pm at MCI.

Motion to adjourn at 7:54. Moved by Megan T, Seconded by Kyle M



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Mission:

MacGregor Collegiate will foster an educational community in which all members learn.

- Semester 2 - Running A1!
- School Dance—Wednesday, March 22—7:00-9:30 pm 
- Head of Council/Mayor of North Norfolk Ed Heppner approached MCI to gauge interest on co-developing a Youth Councillor position on the Municipal Council. Working with Mayor of Portage la Prairie, Sharilyn Knox, to review the benefits of such as position as Portage has a Youth Member of Council since 2017.
- MCI Ski Trip - March 16 & 17th - Asessippi Ski Resort - Russell, MB - 3 Teachers - 31 Students Signed up to go.
- MCI Sr. Varsity "AA" Boys Basketball Provincials - Virden, MB - March 16-18th, 2022 - Good Luck Boys!
- MADD Presentation - "Final Play" - March 17th - 1 hour - MPI Sponsored - \$100 - <https://maddyouth.ca/school-program/> - MADD Canada's School Presentation is a powerful dramatization about the tragic consequences of impaired driving. The video ends with testimonials from real-life victims who share their heartbreaking stories with the audience. MADD Canada's School Presentation targets students in grades 7 through 12.
- March 20th - No School PD Day - Teachers will be Certified in Indigenous Awareness Training - Indigenous Corporate Training
- Live Different - April 25th pm - \$500 - Altruism - How can we become people who make a difference? Empathy - How can we make others feel important? - Group Activities to follow - Subsidies cover \$1000
- How to Engage your child in a conversation about school?
 - Ask open-ended questions - If you ask a question that can be answered with one word - yes or no - that's what you will get. A one-word answer. Try asking open-ended questions instead.

"What was the best thing you did at school today?"
 - Start with factual information - Students often have a hard time answering questions that seem to come out of the blue. Make an observation give your child something to relate to.

"I know you have a lot more students in your class this year. What's that like?"
 - Share something about yourself - When someone tells you about themselves, it's natural to want to do that in return. Share something with your child and see what you get back.



"We always participated in intramurals at lunch when we were in school. What do you and your friends like to do at lunch?"

- Avoid negative questions - If you think something isn't going well, your questions may come out in a negative way, with emotion-packed words like sad or mean. Asking in a positive way lets your child express concerns.

"I heard that you sat with new people at lunch today. What did you talk about?"

Instead of this....	Try this....
Was school fun today?	What was the best thing you did at school?
How was lunch?	Which kids were sitting near you at lunch?
Was your teacher nice?	What was the most interesting thing your teacher said today?
Did you get to your locker today at break?	How was it getting to your locker between classes?
Were the kids in your class friendly?	Who did you like talking to the most?
Do you have friends in your classes?	Who are the kids you talk to most in your classes?
Did your presentation go well?	What part of the presentation do you think was best?

- Edsebli Parental Portal - Means for parents to stay connected with their child's school programming.
- If you have a question about your child's programming - contact your child's teacher.

Kyle McKinstry - Principal MCI

