MCI Parent Advisory Council
Minutes- May 2026

Date | time May 11, 2026 7pm | *Meeting called to order by* Leighann Quiring

Deanna Shurvell, Leighann Quiring, Kyle McKinstry, Elaine Kalberg, Mark Borgfjord, Megan Rompf, Heidi Hill Regrets: Diana Peters

Meeting minutes are posted on the MCI website and people are encouraged to read before the meeting. Motion to accept the minutes as posted by Elaine K, 2nd by Mark B

Treasurer's Report

- Opening balance of **$4645.13**
  - Withdrawal of $2.50 x 2 for paper statements to Stride (last time, as this is now changed)
  - Closing balance of **$4640.13**
  - Motion was moved by Deanna S to accept the report, 2nd by Kyle M

Student Council

- Heidi Hill presented on behalf of Student Council
- Very successful day at Horizons Conference in Winnipeg. All 15 student council members went and represented as the only rural school there.
- Pre-Spring Break included a Spirit week and Goosechase game.
- Mental Health Wellness included activities, as well as a coffee bar and popcorn day
- Survey filled in by students with interest in what they would like to see- included Subway day, Pizza Hut, intramurals, etc.
- Goldeyes Game planned for May 21
- Planning happen for Grass Blast on June 8 after Sports Awards.

Principal's Report

- Please check Principal's report (attached) for list of important dates and goings on
- Encourage parents to once again, log into the Edsembli and check on student's progress and reach out to teachers if there are concerns about marks right away, leaving it to long can be detrimental to the progress and learning of a student.
- News from MCI is regularly posted on the school Facebook account as well as Instagram handles. Often our news gets coverage from Portage Online as well!
- Exits out of Band Room, Foods Lab, and Shops room all need updated accessible exits, as students with mobility issues should be able to leave with the same dignity as all other students. We have been informed that that funding will not be able to come from PCSD. Other options regarding grants, etc were discussed.
- Grad 8 Transition meeting coming up on May 27. A valuable evening for both students and parents, as expectations of MCI are outlined, such as maturity and respect, as well as new struggles, new responsibilities, and so on.

Trustee Report

- No report.

Old Business

- Thresherman's Breakfast-
  - Co-op gift card en route.
  - Elaine, Mike, Leighann, Megan, plus ideally 6 student council members to help
  - Leighann to talk to Karla re: propane donation to Heartland (if we use our own tank)
  - Reimbursement- Deanna and Leighann to sign cheque for unexpected expenses
- Bursary
  - Motion that starting 2026, PAC will provide 2 awards at $500 each, as long as funding available. Moved by Meghan R, 2nd by Kyle M. Passed.

New Business

- Transition Meeting- Leighann to attend on behalf of PAC to welcome and attract new parents.
- Let Student council know that funds are available to them for projects. Heidi to take back to group.
  - Ideas such as bbq, go towards ramps, smoothie bar/ snow cone supplies….
- Megan to talk to Co-op about Fuel Good Days
- Chase the Ace- June 4. Leighann will cover.

Next meeting: Fall 2026. Adjourned at 7:55 pm.

MacGregor Collegiate Institute

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Mission:

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

Core Competencies of Successful Students & Young Adults

1. The Power of Resilience & Grit

Successful individuals view failure not as a dead end, but as a "stepping stone." Grit, the combination of passion and long-term perseverance, is often a better predictor of success than IQ. It involves staying committed to a goal even when the initial excitement fades.

2. Mastering Time & Organization

For students, this means moving away from "cramming" and toward distributed practice (studying in small chunks over time). For young adults, it involves "calendar blocking", scheduling not just work, but also rest and self-improvement, to avoid burnout.

3. Financial & Practical Literacy

A major differentiator for successful young adults is the "independence" factor. This includes:

- **Budgeting:** Understanding cash flow and avoiding high-interest debt.
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- **Problem-Solving:** The ability to navigate real-world issues (like car repairs or lease agreements) without immediate parental intervention.

4. Emotional Intelligence (EQ)

In the modern workplace and in social circles, EQ is often more valuable than technical skill. It includes active listening, the ability to hear what is meant, not just what is said, and the ability to receive constructive criticism without becoming defensive.

5. Curiosity & Continuous Learning

High achievers are "sponges." They ask questions, seek out mentors, and recognize that graduation is the beginning of their education, not the end. They maintain a "curiosity-first" approach to new technologies and perspectives.

June Exams 2026

Friday, June 12-Last day of classes for grade 12's
Monday, June 15-Last day of classes for grades 9-11

Grade	Tuesday, June 16	Wednesday June 17	Thursday, June 18	Friday Jun 19
9	Math-Ms. Howarth	Social Studies-Mr. Samels	Science-Mrs. Schroeder	EXAM Make up Day
10	Science-Mr. Borgfjord		ELA-Ms. Tait	
11	History-Mr. Samels	Applied-Mrs. Schroeder	Essentials-Mr. Borgfjord Pre-Cal-Ms. Howarth	

***Provincial Exams*(Grade 12's)**
May 25-28 English Language Arts (Mr. Samels & Mrs. Giesbrecht)
June 10-Essentials Math (Mr. Skyhar)
June 11-Applied Math (Mr. Skyhar)

- Actively sourcing quotes for accessibility ramps from contractors to determine the total project cost. Unfortunately, PCSD has indicated that they do not currently have the funds available to support this initiative. While it is disappointing that we must seek external funding for essential accessibility requirements, we are moving forward with a grant application process as soon as the quotes are finalized. Our priority remains ensuring our facilities are inclusive and compliant, regardless of the additional administrative steps now required.
- If you have a question about your child's programming - contact your child's teacher.

Kyle McKinstry - Principal MCI

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