

MCI Parent Advisory Council

Minutes- April, 2024

Date | time April 16, 2024/ 7pm | *Meeting called to order by* Leighann Quiring

In Attendance

Megan Romphf, Deanna Shurvell, Leighann Quiring, Kyle McKinstry, Emily Koldyk, Mark Borgfjord, Lori Hiebert, Diana Peters, Lloyd Shurvell, Elaine Kalberg, Karter Gurke

Minutes

Meeting minutes are posted on the MCI website and people are encouraged to look at the minutes. Minutes were sent out, there was a motion to accept the minutes by Elaine, 2nd by Kyle. Minutes adopted as read.

Treasurer's Report

Opening balance of **\$2221.20**.

A deposit was made of proceeds from the 50/50 at Chase the Ace for **\$197.50**, making the current balance **\$2418.70**.

Motion was moved by Deanna to accept the report and Karter 2nd the motion.

Principal's Report

- Please check Principal's report (attached) for list of important dates and goings on
- Parent teacher Triad conferences April 18-19. Please come with your student and have real-time conversations with teachers and students to celebrate their successes and provide accountability.
- Encourage parents to once again, log into the Edsebli 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. If you know your child is struggling or needs help also watch your emails with teachers reaching out and giving reports. There is need for more communication between parents and students and their teachers- please do not hesitate to call the school and talk with teachers. Please make sure that you're checking for missed assignments and other items if catch up is needed through the google classroom or the portal. Exam schedule has been made and attached in principal's report.
- May 27th is the provincial ELA exam for Grade 12 students. Last day of classes for grade 12 students is June 14th, 2024. Last day classes Grade 9-11 is June 17th (Exams for Science June 18th AM, History (cs) AM and Essentials Math PM, June 19th Science AM, Pre-cal and Applied PM) Grade 12 Exams will be June 12 and 13th.
- Drawing attention to new banners in the school showcasing MB Education and Early Childhood Learning Framework for Learning principles, with students faces and images matched to the principles. Come check them out!
- Scholarship and Bursary information has been given out to Grade 12 students, and they are strongly encouraged to apply to those that meet their goals. Must hand in a resume and cover letter- applicants chosen by a committee within the school.
- See attached report.

Student Council

Karter G presented on behalf of Student Council-

- St Patricks Spirit day held

- 20 Student Council students attended Horizons Student day in Stonewall with students from 30 other schools and 2 public speakers
- Planned Earth Day town-wide clean up to take place April 22, with activities after
- Upcoming Spirit day with Bead necklace “Rock-Paper-Scissors” Championship- winning grade wins a Grass Blast Advantage
- Potential Late Night Activity Night to 12am (instead of sleepover), possibly right after gr 12 Provincial exams, with intermural events. If goes ahead, will need 1 adult to 10 kids, expecting possibly 60-80.
- Winnipeg Sea Bears Game- May 24 - tix \$35 each, for the home opener game.
- Grass Blast coming on June 14. Discussion about sponsorship for Hot Dogs – encouraged by PAC to look for sponsorship, and ask officially if help is needed. Co-op may be willing to talk to come cook dogs, etc- Megan to talk to Shannon at Co-op.
- Student Council Elections coming up- plans made to talk to Grade 8’s at both MES and AES to encourage to join Student Council .

Trustee Report

Emily K. on behalf of the Trustees-

- Budget meeting on Mar 31, was sent to province to approve. We encourage parents and community to be involved with the budget report and the meetings.
- Mar 20-22- Attended MB School Board Association Meeting. Topics were student attendance and nutrition commitments made by provincial government.
- No promises of any extra money to help with large projects, but can provide smaller

Old Business

- PAC Student Bursary- Discussion about whether to increase amount given in student bursary, or offer to 2 students instead of one. Motion to increase PAC Student Bursary from \$250 to \$500 for one student. Moved by Kyle, 2nd by Mark B.
- Discussion if money should be donated to either French or Band trips—decided against it as it only benefits some students as opposed to the whole student body. Opportunity to send a student in the future (or multiples) to leadership conferences—discussion about what level School Board could be involved in as well. Further discussion about what School Board may or may not be able to accommodate—if they are not on the hook financially, will they offer support? Emily to take back to board to discuss, as may be on case by case basis. Focus needs to remain on what is best for students, but can be challenging with a decreasing budget every year.
- Threshermans Breakfast-
 - Received \$600 in gift cards from Homestead Co-op to purchase supplies
 - Letter written to Costco for Pancake mix
 - Brett from Prairie Abattoir has been contacted for sausages.
 - No hash browns this year, as took too long to cook, and we had TONS leftover.
 - Looking for another grill to keep things moving faster.

New Business

- Goldeyes Tickets
 - Megan has acquired 50-60 tickets coming for free, to be given to students – includes 2 accessible seats
- Chase the Ace 50/50- June 6. Deanna can do it, and possibly Leighann. Make sure to supply own tickets

Next Meeting

Next meeting: May 21 2024 @ 7pm. Adjourned at 8pm.