

Macdonald High School Governing Board Minutes of March 23, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER – 7:07p.m.

2. REGRETS: Kali Lignos, Chelsea Thomson, Tracy Zordan, Jasmine Ayres, and Susan Bartlett
PRESENT: Katerine Danis, Sylvie Campeau, Jodie Lennon, Jad Deegan, Amanda TweedieSmith, Lisa Brown, Karen Jones, Lori MacDonald, Corinne Cleary, Jennifer Drakes, Sean Ross, Melanie Dignard, Tracey McKee, Tamara Bush, Dominic Pavone, Lara Holmes, Madison Riddoch

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by: Lori MacDonald

Seconded by: Sylvie Campeau

4. APPROVAL OF JANUARY MINUTES

Moved by: Tracey McKee **Seconded by:** Melanie Dignard

As per the amendment, a correction of the date for the skip trip to be on April 6 - 8 instead of Feb 24 - 26

All in favor..... passed

5. CORRESPONDENCE: Consultation on the Strategic Plan...info emailed.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

-The meeting in February was cancelled due to poor weather

-Ratify email vote for the movie night, school dance and the St Patrick's Day Parade. Approved with quorum

7. NEW BUSINESS:

-Governing Board Composition consists of a maximum of 20 members (8 parent, 8 staff, 2 student and 2 community reps)

Melanie Dignard motions to keep the composition of the Governing Board as is. Karen Jones seconds the motion. All in favor. Passed.

TRIPS & FACILITIES

-Tamara Bush presented a grad trip to go to a Sugar Shack (de la Montagne in Rigaud) on April 14, 40 students, \$30, ratio 1:10. Going after school.

-Lori MacDonald presented multiple trips:

-On behalf of Mme. Arsenault & Ms. Bush: a tennis club, 12 students (grades 7-11) to play at Bellevue Park (in Pin court) in May on Tuesdays/Thursdays. \$35 for six and a half hours of instruction (plus a gift bag). Ratio is 1:4, leaving around 2-3. Mr. Bergeron runs the program.

-On behalf of Ms Zordan: permission to plan Europe trip 2017 with the EF Tour Company.

-On behalf of Ms Guy: 4 grade 9 students in the transitioning/Bridge Program to volunteer in an elementary school. No cost, no classes missed, travelling by car, once a week in April and May. Permission to plan – will ratify dates by email

-Portage Program: students will visit MAC to talk about their experiences. Grade 8 & 9

-Girls group (grade 7 & 8) on Wednesdays during period 4 for 6 weeks in conjunction with West Island Women's Center and K & M Consulting. Approximately 15-20 girls in the group

-Mr. Deegan presented multiple trips:

-On behalf of Mme. Laurendeau: grade 9 students to go to Radio Canada on April 8, ratio 1:10, by bus, \$20

-On behalf of Mr. Stewart: Historical visit to Quebec City, \$200, ratio 1:10, by coach bus on May 5 & 6, grade 10

-On behalf of Mr. Wadden: Old Montreal/Downtown/McGill, \$25, during school hours on May 11 for grade 9, ratio 1:10

-On behalf of Mr. Stewart: Ottawa visit, \$60, 8:00am-9:00pm on May 13, grade 10

- Battle of the Books Final: Riverdale on April 14, travel by car
- Ultimate Battle of the Books: Finals at LCC on April 20
- March 31-April 1...30-hour famine for grade 11 students
- Dance Team dance show, May 5 & 6 at 7:30, \$10 tickets sales (for dance expenses for the show) and snack shack

Lori MacDonald motions for permission to plan Tracy Zordan's Europe trip with approval once the dates have been submitted and permission to plan the grade 9 bridge program volunteering in elementary schools. Tamara Bush seconds the motion. All in favor. Passed

**Motion en block to accept all the other trips & facilities
 Motioned by Jennifer Drakes, Seconded by: Lisa Brown
 All in favor. Passed.**

8. REPORTS:

Home and School:

-H & S hosted a teacher appreciation lunch in February. Teachers gave a wish list of things they would like. Plans are under way for the Comedy Night. Next Chapter's night is April 7. H & S nominated two individuals for awards for QFHSA.

C.P.C.:

-Discussions on the Strategic Plan and presentations on the WOTP programs

Commissioner:

-See report

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Treasurer:

-The account currently has \$282.96

Teachers: Tamara Bush

-Ms. Bush thanked the H & S for the wonderful lunch they provided, the Governing Board for the Edible Arrangement and the school board for the chocolates during Teacher Appreciation week.

Students:

- Madison Riddoch noted that there were over 160 people in attendance at the Coffee House
- 46 students joined the St Patrick's Day Parade downtown
- Staff vs. student hockey game went well...staff won
- Comedy Night for the Humanitarian Trip March 30
- Public speaking was great
- Chapter's Fundraising April 21

Tamara Bush motions for a Chapter's fundraising evening on April 21 to raise money for the Humanitarian Trip. Katerine Danis seconds the motion. All in favor. Passed

Principal:

- Thank-you to Jaime Guy, Chris Chang and everyone who helped out with the Staff vs Students Hockey Game.
- Thank-you to everyone who helped with the movie night.
- Thank-you to everyone who helped out, performed and organized the coffee house fundraiser. It was a really great evening.
- The public speaking finals were extremely impressive. To all involved – congratulations.

- Thank-you to Amanda Maither for volunteering and spending many days at the regional science fair with the students.
- Thank-you to Deirdra Kennedy, Karelle Bouffard and Mrs. Kapitsky for helping out with the students carrying the banners at the parade and feeding them breakfast.
- Thank-you to Dr. Rossy for his successful JAC visit.
- A huge congratulations goes out to Ted Duckworth, Al Dornan, the robotics team and the staff supervisors. They were amazing; winning 1st in so many categories including video and the actual robot competition. Only cegep Montmorency beat us by two points. (Mac: less than 800 high school students, Montmorency: 7000 Cegep students.)
- Thank-you to Dr. Rossy and Randy Boyd for a successful Fermat Math Contest.
- Welcome back to the European travelers. From all accounts, it was an amazing trip. Thank-you Tracy Zordan.
- Thank-you to Andrea Fraser, Jaime Guy, Chris Chang and everyone who helped out during Health and Spirit week. Including the Health Fair on March 23rd.
- March 24th, there will be a school dance.
- March 30th, the Humanitarian group would like to run their annual 30 Hour Famine.
- April 16th, we would like to participate in the one day conference with speakers on "Discovering Your Endless Potential" at JAC for 20 students (grade 10 & 11).
- April 28th, 29th and 30th is the school play "Into the Woods".
- In the coming days, 20 grade 6 students who registered at Macdonald High School for the next school year and who reside the furthest away from the school will be receiving letters redirecting them to Westwood High School or to Beaconsfield High School.
- May 6th, the Mac leadership students have been asked to run the LBPSB junior leadership day at Saint Patrick School.

QUESTION PERIOD: ---

VARIA:

- Tracey McKee discussed Gordie Productions and their high school touring dates...possibility of coming to MAC?

ADJOURNMENT – 8:26 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: April 27, 2016