

**Pembina Escarpment Reading Council
Maple Leaf School, Morden
Thursday February 4, 2010
5:00-6:30 p.m.**

Agenda

1. Call to Order – the meeting was called to order at 5:05pm
2. Attendance: Dale Owen, Garry Bueckert, Allison Abbot-Wiebe, Linda Enns, Louise Duncan, Tania Vanstone, Dale Owen, Bruce Wood
3. Regrets: Leanne Braun, Tammy Loewen, Andrea Neufeld
4. Approval of Agenda: Garry made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, Allison seconded the motion. Carried.
5. Celebrate Literacy, Celebrate Life—members please bring celebration for sharing
 - Allison shared a book that she has plans to read from ABE books. Allison is going to buy one of the Canada Reads series.
 - Garry read the book Children of the Arbat, about Moscow in the Stalin era and the children who lived in period.
 - Bruce is reading Extreme Vinyl Café, a compilation of stories.
 - Dale read Still Alice by Lisa Genova, a book about early onset Alzheimer's. Linda also read this book and both thoroughly enjoyed this book and felt it was very heartwrenching.
 - Dale has bought the book, What the Dog Saw, by Malcolm Gladwell and will report on this next meeting.
 - Tania is reading a junior fiction series, called Our Canadian Girl, and it is based on historical fiction.
 - Louise shared a children's book by Dolly Parton, I am a Rainbow. She also shared a professional development book called Words Their Way, by Bear, Invernizzi, Templeton, Johnston which has a variety of activities that help learning sounds, consonant blends, etc.
6. Business
 - Minutes of January were read. Allison made a motion to adopt the minutes and Garry seconded the motion. Carries
 - Annual goal setting review of duties accomplished and to-do—committee member reports
7. Committee Reports:
 - Membership—Garry
 - i. Been in touch with Arlene from MRA, and she gave us a list of our memberships.
 - Treasurer—Tania There is currently \$700.67 in our account.
 - Public Relations—Louise
 1. Allison and Louise will make a brochure that outlines the PD session and a board that promotes the PERC council
 - Programs Committee—Reports: Website-Dale
 - i. David needs to train secretary and another person to be able to update the website with minutes. Dale suggests that this should be the secretary and someone else. It is approximately 25 dollars per

year. The website is www.pereadingcouncil.org. Louise would also like to be trained. Louise, Dale, and Tania will decide on a date when this would happen.

ii. Newsletter- we need to have this done but no volunteers yet.

8. I Love to Read-Allison & Louise,

- Louise and Alison prepared an additional reading package for each school. Literacy Advocates-Tania and Bruce have not met and this will happen. There was discussion about Music Therapy, Healthy Child Coalition, and Family Resource Centres.

P.D. -Leanne sent a report on her behalf that she would like to us to finalize. See attachment. Decisions are a caterer between \$12 – 15 person and April 8th is the final date. It will be held at the Pioneer Centre in Altona. The fee will be \$50 for members and \$75 for non-members. The presenter's charge is \$500 plus mileage from Winnipeg, and the rental of the centre is \$100, and the cost of food.

P.R.-Louise & Allison and Garry(membership) will have a table. Garry may not be there so membership can be at the PERC table.

- MRA meeting report – The MRA was very excited that we had 30 members. Louise and Dale will take this information to the meeting.

9. Calendar of upcoming Literacy Events:

10. Meeting Dates

- Executive meeting—amend by-laws
- Regular board meeting will be on a Thursday. Louise will send out four possible dates in March for the next meeting.

11. Adjournment