

**Pembina Escarpment Reading Council
Maple Leaf School**

Morden

Monday December 13, 2010

5:00-6:30 p.m.

Minutes:

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome to: Lyndsay Osiowy (Western) & Patricia Hiebert (GVSD)
3. Attendees: Garry Bueckert, Sheila Kent, Allison Abbott-Wiebe, Louise Duncan, Cindy Thiessen, Rhonda Thomson
4. Regrets: Dale Owen, Leann Braun, Lisa Victor
Cindy Thiessen is moving away from the area and will no longer be a part of PERC we wish you all the best Cindy.

5. Celebrate Literacy, Celebrate Life—**members please bring celebration for sharing**

Secret Daughter by Shilipi Somaya Gowda

Jesus for the Non-Religious by John Shelby Spong

My Penguin Osbert by Elizabeth Cody Kimmel (children's)

Hurray for Diffin Dolpher Day by Dr. Seuss (children's)

Lessons in Camp by Frank Serafini

Sweeter than all the World by Rudy Wiebe

Temptations of Big Bear by Rudy Wiebe

Stolen Life: Journey of a Cree Woman by Rudy Wiebe

Words Their Way by Donald Bear, Marcia Invernizzi, Shane Templeton, Francine Johnston

Business New & Old

- Provide time during meeting to: write newsletter together, work on wiki, brochure (accomplished this evening in draft form), PD brainstorming speaker and date
- Annual goal setting review decisions and duties (as below):
 - I Love to Read theme announced by MRA as *Many Cultures, Many Readers* Allison and Louise will head the I Love to Read activities
 - PERC WIKI, Sheila will head the management of the PERC WIKI; including Celebrate Literacy—Kid Picks, Adult Picks (recreation), and PERC Picks (professional)
 - Leanne will head the management of the online Newsletter; News features: What's Perking at PERC—president's message, teacher reviews of workshops (such as SAG), MRA council supports, links to sites or articles, 'something that works'—strategies that are tried and true, PGP examples, Librarians Corner, Student Writing Samples, Teacher Writing, Book Reviews, Daily 5, Local News with PERC
 - Dale will head up the PD goal for the year; discussion around pursuing hooking boys, creating urgency, thinking, readiness. Janice Almasi, comprehension. Tyrell Young, cultural diversity, Michelle Honeyford, U of M prof or Carol Bromley as potential speakers. Be prepared next meeting with 'fleshed out' ideas to pursue.
 - Explore Dolly Parton book giving program for pre-schoolers

-Compilation of a parent how-to for pre-schoolers; i.e., How to read to your child: Lyndsay expressed interest in pursuing this area of personal interest

6. Committee Reports:

- Membership—Garry. Current membership 15 paid members

Garry has send renewal reminders to past members

Louise brought back MRA fee discussion stemming from Nov 27, 2010 MRA meeting, PERC is in arrears for paying \$3 fee for members and \$1.50 for student members. Following review of the membership from past minutes, Louise will explore the matter further and take necessary action

- Treasurer—Rhonda

Tania (past sec/treasurer) requires signed minutes for bank change over. Allison will provide Lisa with the minutes to give to Tania.

As treasurer, Rhonda will receive information from Garry and she will provide receipts for new members

- Public Relations—Louise

Time taken at the end of this meeting to draft a PERC brochure, Sheila will generate the brochure.

- Programs Committee Updates
- MRA meeting report—November 27, 2010 meeting

It is Carol's wish to visit us in the spring, request that we invite her for our AGM. Send her date asap.

Invite for us to put up a PERC display at the Adolescent Lit Conference

Need for us to resolve unpaid MRA membership fees (discussed earlier)

Promote the Adolescent Lit Conference within our school divisions

February 1st is the deadline for the Crocus award nominations. Forward to Carol Hryniuk-Adamov

7. Calendar of upcoming Literacy Events:

- Adolescent Literacy Summit, April 14-15 Victoria Inn

8. Meeting Dates

- Regular board meeting— February 7, 2011 Maple Leaf Elementary School 5:00-6:30

9. Adjournment