

**Pembina Escarpment Reading Council  
Maple Leaf School  
Morden  
Wednesday September 29, 2010  
5:00-6:30 p.m.**

**Minutes:**

1. Call to Order
2. Attendance: welcome to Sheila Kent of PRSD for coming aboard, your experience in early literacy will be valuable and greatly appreciated.
3. Attendees: Sheila Kent, Allison Abbott-Wiebe, Dale Owen, Louise Duncan, Leann Braun
4. Regrets: Linda Ens
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Celebrate Literacy, Celebrate Life—**members please bring celebration for sharing**
  - Black Bottle Man: A Fable by Craig Russell
  - Reflections: Manitoba Chapter of ASCD (Articles including: Assessment by Damian Cooper and Supporting Teachers by Robert Brooks to name a few)
  - Book of Negroes by Lawrence Hill (the illustrated version)
  - Maple Leaf School: L.I.F.T Literacy Implementation Framework Teams
  - Freakanomics by Stephen Dovenor & Steven Lovett
  - Infidel by Ayaan Hirsi Ali
7. Business
  - Minutes of March 11, 2010 meeting Motion to accept the minutes as circulated: Leanne and seconded by Gary
  - PERC in-service circulation of poster to commemorate Syd Korsunsky
  - Annual goal setting discussion, decisions and duties
    - Web discussion, Louise shared the difficulty in uploading to and managing the PERC website
    - Dale moves that we look into moving our website information into a wiki. Seconded by Allison
    - Dale will check with David to see if he knows if that's possible
    - Sheila has offered her assistance to Louise for wiki management
    - I Love to Read theme announced by MRA as *Many Cultures, Many Readers*
8. Committee Reports:
  - Membership—Garry—How do our members benefit from having a membership as a main goal...must benefit teachers
  - Question and discussion around renewing membership: publisher's display for browsing/book talk (children's literature) as an evening event

-send out an e-mail requesting renewal: I Love to Read package with social justice proposed theme, notice of a regional PD session, a newsletter, member of PERC permits MRA membership rates—Garry will do this

-possible collaboration with our public health nurse

-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

-use meeting time to work on achieving goals for example, generating a newsletter

- Treasurer—Tania. We need to work to finding a replacement to do this task
- Public Relations—Louise
- Programs Committee—Dale. As part of the goal setting template
- MRA meeting report—Dale, June mtg & Louise, Sept mtg

9. Calendar of upcoming Literacy Events:

- Dr. Marjorie Lipson Friday October, 2010 Victoria Inn
- Adolescent Literacy Summit, April 14-15 Victoria Inn

10. Meeting Dates

- Regular board meeting—Monday October 18, 2010 5-6:30: bring a person...recruitment, and a celebration
- Agenda: write newsletter together, work on wiki, PD brainstorming speaker and date

11. Adjournment