

**Pembina Escarpment Reading Council
Board Meeting
Maple Leaf School
Morden
Thursday May 28, 2009
5:00-6:30 p.m.**

Minutes

1. Call to Order
2. Attendance: Dale Owen, Tania Vanstone, Louise Duncan, Allison Abbott-Wiebe, Garry Bueckert, Andrea Neufeld, Leanne Braun,
3. Regrets: Linda Enns, Tammy Loewen, Sherri Hollier, Karen Alexander, Bruce Wood
4. Approval of Agenda
Leanne made the motion to accept the agenda as presented. Garry seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
5. Celebrate Literacy, Celebrate Life—members please bring celebration for sharing
Garry shared Teaching with Intention, by Debbie Millar.
Andrea shared 2 magazine that have sections on books, Canadian Living and the Oprah magazines.
Leanne shared Effective Teacher Hiring by Kenneth D. Peterson. She is also reading The Tipping Point by Malcolm Gladwell.
Tania shared a book that she is going to read, Blue Like Jazz, by Donald Millar.
Guys write for Guys Read, edited by Jon Scieszka and Knucklehead, Jon Scieszka are some books that Louise is reading with her children.
Allison is reading My Wedding Dress, a compilation of stories of Canadian women and their life lessons.

6. Business

- Minutes of May 7, 2009 meeting

Andrea motioned to adopt the minutes as presented. Allison seconded the motion.

Motion Carried.

- Logo Contest update—Dale
 - Dale took the winning entry to Eagleye Printing and had them create the logo with letterhead. Dale will include the Maple Leaf address on the letterhead. Dale will also order card from Eagleye.

Leanne made a motion that Perc purchase Letterhead and cards with an approximate quantity of 100. Garry seconded this motion. **Motion Carried.**

Dale will write a letter to the winner of the logo contest, Katrin Betke of Miami School, and Tania will write a cheque for \$100 for a classroom library.

7. Committee Reports:

- Membership—Garry said we have 2 more members than last and we have a membership of \$30. Garry has contacted MRA with the correct information.
- Treasurer—Tania said that we have approximately \$650 in our account.

- Public Relations—Louise, Tania, and Karen need to meet.
 - Programs Committee – Dale shared the latest goal sheet. Bruce, Louise, Dale and Allison met and they have created a goals and tasks spreadsheet. The first goal would be to have a newsletter/website online, and have the celebrate literacy, student work showcase, session reviews, and professional books reviews. A project for next year would be the I Love to Read package online – with alternate texts and secretly hooking boys.
 - Partnering with community to promote literacy in the preschool area – finding ways to help organizations do what they are already doing.
 - Professional Development – How to engage boys in literacy learning – to do a session next year – Muddle in the Middle –Boys
 - Louise is interested in the I Love to Read package.
 - Tania was interested in partnering with the community
 - Dale was interested in the website goal.
 - Parkland crew was interested in the PD piece. Dale will email Leanne some information and they will try to plan this for April.
 - See attached to minutes.
 - MRA meeting report—same from last year.
8. Calendar of upcoming Literacy Events:
- May 29 Dr. Donald Leu, sponsored by MRA and BRC
- June 5 Annual Literacy Leaders’ Luncheon, MRA – Louise would like to extend an invitation to go, she has already purchased a ticket.
9. Meeting Dates
- Executive meeting—amend by-laws
 - Louise wondered if we needed to have a meeting before the AGM. Leanne suggested to review the bylaws in fall. This can be tabled for a fall meeting.
 - Regular board meeting – September 17th, 2009
10. Adjournment