

**Pembina Escarpment Reading Council
Maple Leaf School
Morden
Monday May 28, 2012
5:00-6:30 p.m.**

Minutes:

1. Call to Order: 5:02pm
2. Attendees: Sheila Kent, Mandy, McKetiak, Leah Bere, Tricia Hiebert, Lyndsay Kyle, Rhonda Thomson, Darlene Keith, Alison Abbott Wiebe
3. Regrets: Louise Duncan, Dale Owen
4. Celebrate Literacy, Celebrate Life—members please bring celebration for sharing
 - Patricia: The Book Thief (Markus Zusak); The Extraordinary Egg (Leo Lionni); Wolf (Becky Bloom)
 - Leah – Elephants and Piggie books (high sight word based) by Mo Willems; Don't Worry Bear (friendship and caterpillars) (Greg Foley)
 - Mandy McKetiak – The Rag Coat (bullying and leaving people out) by Lauren Mills
 - Darlene: Max's Words and The Plot Chickens
 - Lyndsay: Is That a Fact by Tony Stead (teaching non-fiction writing)
 - Alison – Every Step of the Way (Eva Olsson) (holocaust survivor)
5. Business
 - a) Reports
 - President
 - Sally Bender - turn out of approx. 20 people including members
 - add her blog and book list to our Wiki
 - she is open to making it an annual event
 - MRA Literacy Luncheon on June 2 – we have 8 free tickets; let Lyndsay know and she will pass the name on to the Winnipeg MRA so that admission will be free
 - Treasurer
 - Profit of \$5662.37 (if we had not had our PD, we would have had a loss of approx. \$300)
 - Motion to accept the Treasurer report by Sheila; seconded by Alison
 - Membership
 - Currently 30 members, all of which expire at the end of June
 - Alison went to the MRA meeting in Carman – worthwhile, and a lot of wisdom shared by professionals
 - b) Election
 - Appointment of Executive:
 - President
 - Past President (Lyndsay Kyle)

- Vice-President
- Secretary (Rhonda Thompson nominates Leah Bere, seconded by Darlene Keith) Appointed: Leah Bere
- Treasurer (Tricia Hiebert nominates Darlene Keith, seconded by Leah Bere) Appointed: Darlene Keith
- Membership Director (3rd year of 3 yr term: Mandy McKetiak)
- Public Relations Wiki (continuing: Sheila Kent)

6. Carry Forward items

- Changes need to be made to the bylaw
- Does an annual report need to be completed, and if so, who will do this
- Elections for President and Vice President

Other:

- First fall meeting will be emailed out after asking Dale and Louise; will try to set the date before the end of June

7. Adjournment: 5:40pm