



PERC

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AGM

Carman Elementary School

Monday May 26, 2014

5:00-6:30 p.m.

Agenda

1. Call to Order

2. Attendance

3. Additional Agenda Items:

- Consideration of financial support to MRA Adolescent Literacy Summit-Seed money
- Exit slip review from Librarian Workshop
- Consideration for Leadership opportunities for an executive Board member
- Communications

Attendees: Louise Duncan, Darlene Keith, Allison Abbott Wiebe, Sheila Kent, Barb Lepp, Lisa Carlson, Cindy Phillips

Regrets: Mandi Zacharias,

3. Approval of Agenda - Allison /Barb

4. Approval of AGM Minutes, May 2013

<http://pereadingcouncil.pbworks.com/w/file/66202840/AGM%20PERC%20Minutes%20May%202013.pdf>

Lisa / Darlene

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

*Louise Duncan – The Reading Teacher’s Book of Lists by Edward B.Fry,
Jacqueline K. Polk, & Dona Fountoukidis*

Darlene Keith – The Cellist of Sarajevo by Steven Galloway,

*Allison Abbott Wiebe – You’re Only Old Once! A Book for Obsolete Children by
Dr. Seuss; Don’t Go by Lisa Scottoline*

Cindy Phillips – Nelson Mandela by Kadir Nelson,

Sheila Kent - The Three Questions – Based on a story by Leo Tolstoy by Jon J. Muth

*Lisa Carlson – The First Phone Call from Heaven, by Mitch Album; Insurgent by
Veronica Roth; An Astronaut’s Guide to Life on Earth by Chris Hadfield; They
Poured Fire on Us From the Sky by Benjamin Ajak*

*Barb Lepp - We Shall Overcome – The Story of a Song by Debbie Levy; When the
Beat Was Born - DJ Kool Herc and the Creation of Hip Hop by Leban Carrick
Hill; Forever Young by Bob Dylan.*

6. Business

- Reports; President, *(see attached)*
- Vice President, *(see attached)*
- Treasurer, *(see attached)*
 - *some bills are still outstanding, so the balance is not a true reflection of what we have in the account.*
- Membership, *(see attached)*
 - *Darlene suggested the idea of paying a one year membership to entice new membership.*
 - *Sheila suggested that we pay for the IRA membership if new members join (and be a Board member in good standing).*

MOTION: PERC will pay the Basic IRA membership for any new PERC Board Members for one year. Darlene / Barb

MOTION to Pass Reports – Barb / Lisa

- Election/Appointment of Executive:

By Acclamation

- Declaration of Slate of Officers:

President - *Barb Lepp*

Past President - *Louise Duncan*

Vice-President- *Lisa Carlson*

Secretary - *Sheila Kent*

Treasurer - *Darlene Keith*

Membership Director - *Mandi Zacharias*

Members At Large - *Allison Abbott Wiebe, Cindy Phillips,*

- Other

Seed \$\$ for the MRA Literacy Summit -

What MRA is offering - whatever \$\$ we offer, we get that \$ back plus a percentage of the profit. Do we want to consider doing something?

Discuss in the fall.

Exit Slip Review - overall very positive (see attached)

Discussion. How could we entice authors to visit? (McNally List?)

Writer's Festival - schedule set -

Cindy - suggestions (Lee Anne Kehler), will e mail Barb with info.

MRA – sends 3 people to Leadership Conference (this year it's in Tampa, in July 2014) – would the Board Consider sending a person to the conference?

(Financial commitment of \$700.00)

Consider and table until the fall.

Communication - moving from a wiki to an actual web site?? Set up a Face Book Page?? Should we also do "Twitter"??

MOTION: *That Barb & Lisa set up a Face Book Page over the summer. Barb/ Lisa*

We will use the Hashtag "PERC" for all Tweets.

Next Meeting - in Morden - @ Maple Leaf School -

September 22nd, 2014

7. Adjournment



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Pembina Escarpment Reading Council

<http://pereadingcouncil.pbworks.com/w/page/30555408/FrontPage>

Please continue to promote and to visit our WIKI, we have book picks and news frequently updated...see link above

PRESIDENT'S REPORT AGM 2014

| 2014-2015 Slate of Officers | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Position | Name |
| President | Barb Lepp |
| Past President | Louise Duncan |
| Vice President | Lisa Carlson |
| Secretary | Sheila Kent |
| Treasurer | Darlene Keith |
| Membership Chair | Mandi Zacharias |
| Member at Large | Allison Abbott Wiebe Cindy Phillips |

GOALS PERC WORKS TOWARD:

- Consider possible partnership with PARC for PD opportunities
- Early Years focus: getting books into homes & building supportive community partnerships
- Increase membership & board members
- PERC Matters Newsletter:
 - Literacy information
 - Articles
 - Reading strategies: graphic organizers
 - PD information across Manitoba/Links
 - Membership form
 - Resources: picture books
 - Get set for school info

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHT OF THE YEAR:

Huge thanks to Barb Lepp and her organizing committee as PERC hosted a most successful event featuring Librarians & Community Resources. We were treated to rich discussion on topics to engage our striving readers, book lists and web sites of interest. We were able to engage in a meaningful panel discussion to support community connections to build literacy at the pre-school level.

Each person in attendance was gifted a book.

We received rave reviews about the day.

For further information please visit:

<http://pereadingcouncil.pbworks.com/w/page/79318781/PERC%202014%20Library%20Session>

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Annual General Meeting May 26, 2014
Financial Report
May 2013-May 2014

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| May 2013 balance: | \$8014.65 |
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| Revenue | |
| Membership Fees | \$120 |
| Workshop Fees | \$1650 |
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| | \$1770 |
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| Expenses | |
| Cheque #41- Allison Abbott Wiebe (receipts) | \$39.20 |
| Cheque #42- MRA fees | \$24.00 |
| Cheque # 43- Void (spoiled) | |
| Cheque# 44- Void (wrong amount) | |
| Cheque #45 –Prairie Rose School Division (books) | \$425.44 |
| Cheque# 46 – Carman United Church | \$565.00 |
| Cheque#47 – Louise Duncan (receipts) | \$103.17 |
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| | \$1156.81 |
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| Total Revenue | \$1770.00 |
| (less expenses) | \$1156.81 |
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| Profit | \$ 613.19 |
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| May 2014 Balance: | \$9325.21 |

Vice-president's Report

I have enjoyed my role with the Pembina Escarpment Reading Council this year as I provided support to our President Louise Duncan. I tried to look after details for our meetings so Louise could concentrate on other matters. I apologize for going overboard in bringing books to the meetings, but I had a great year finding "new" books for students and adults. My interest in this area resulted in the April workshop we hosted for librarians and teachers. We had an excellent response in terms of number of participants and in the exit slip responses. Thank you very much to the Board members who assisted and to my local "reading" friends who provided ideas and support. I am especially grateful to Heather Armstrong for her participation in the workshop, lending her professional voice and ideas to the day.

Through my involvement with PERC, I am now serving on the organizing committee of MRA for the Adolescent Literacy Summit in 2015 in Winnipeg. Cindy Phillips is also a committee member and Lisa Carlson and Heather Armstrong are potential presenters at the Summit. With Louise as a co-chair, PERC will be well represented. *Save the Date* April 9 & 10, 2015.

I look forward to serving as your president in the coming year.

Barb Lepp

P.E.R.C. Membership Report

May 21/14

This year, our membership rates remained at \$15.00 with a June 30/14 expiration date. Our membership for the 2013/14 year stands at 51 members up from 20 the previous year.

One thing we are looking at for next year is a Fall PD session to entice new members and inform them of the benefits of being a P.E.R.C. member. The workshop held in April resulted in 43 new PERC members. In the past, an email reminder was sent out to members to outline the benefits of belonging to P.E.R.C., however the response and renewals stemming from the email was not great so we did not do this for the 2013/14 year. We have had the most success with generating membership via a PD/information session, as the results from this Spring's session show.

P.E.R.C. is obligated to maintain a minimum of 10 IRA memberships. My membership information shows that we have 4 IRA members. When you renew your membership, please inform the membership director of your new IRA membership expiry date.

Thank you for your support of P.E.R.C. over the years, and we look forward to your ongoing participation and support in the future.

Mandi Zacharias

Membership Director

PERC EXIT SLIP

1. Did the day meet your expectations?

Yes, yes, yes, yes, yes, Yes!, yes, yes, yes-very good, yes, yes, yes, yes, Yes!, yes!!, yes, yes

Loved the book sharing and library powerpoint

The afternoon panel discussion was too long.

Yes. Exciting to talk about books and reading.

Yes! It was awesome!

Yes, good to see so many libraries represented.

Great book suggestions.

Yes very interesting to see what others can offer.

Wonderful!

Yes! Very informative.

Yes, I learned a lot and went away with a lot of information.

Yes very nice to get together with other librarians to get fresh, new ideas, gives me a renewed eagerness.

Enjoyed the book sharing

Yes, much more relaxed than some of the other workshops

Very much so!

2. Tell us what you will take away from the day that will influence your practice.

Different displays

New books

Talks of books for my "wish list"

Ideas for library arrangements

Pyjama day—books on sleep/dreams, etc.

Great book ideas

Library photos were great. More discussion on that would have been great.

All the different ideas for displays in the library.

Contact other people outside my division

I will try promoting books by genre (Just not sure how, there are lots of ideas.)

Way I categorize fiction books

Titles/books to get

Lots of great titles to read; ideas to motivate my students to read more.

So many book titles

Many more resources and wonderful books; sharing

Further promotion of literacy

More excitement of books and libraries

The resource sites and the new book titles.

Use of social media (Twitter, Facebook, etc.)

New book ideas

Strengthen links between library and community, library and classroom, library to library. Visit other libraries.

The many ways to promote reading. Great ideas.

Ways to promote literacy through the grades in our school.

A renewed enthusiasm for reading and the importance of literacy. New books to purchase.

New sites to access. Confirmed many of my book choices.

Checking different websites for recommended reading.

New book ideas – library sharing, seeing how others promote literacy

Many great “new” titles that are available and suitable for school age

I will definitely use certain websites that were mentioned.

I am going to encourage more summer reading with more advertising of taking “a bag of books” home for the summer.

I liked the different book ideas and seeing the different libraries.

Great ideas for library décor and activities. Great new books.

How to make “better” (than what I have) display books – new or curriculum related.

Loved the library sharing to get new ideas

3. What ideas/suggestions do you have for PERC to support you in your role as a literacy leader?

Suggestions for vendors other than Chapters, McNally, Coles

Just for PERC to represent us librarians and to keep coming up with ideas.

I like these sessions.

Loved the format of today's session – lots of sharing and networking

More of these days

More literacy topics

More of this networking. It was terrific.

Continue with workshops

Website recommendations

Continued information

Provide ideas on how to get kids to take out books (types of surveys? Newsletters) (Even when you have **good** books in the library)

Additional workshops. Newsletters. Set up a Facebook page.

Keep posting all the info for us to follow up on.

Ways to promote early literacy and some good books I can add to the library

Keep your wiki up to date and I will keep checking it for ideas.

More workshops and sharing

As a resource for information re: all things reading! Workshops, newsletters, etc.

Continue to have people share and show different books.

I love to hear about new activities to get kids excited about reading.

More workshops and sharing

4. Would you like to become more involved in PERC as a board member or in planning workshops or in any other capacity? Provide your name and email, if so.

Cheryl Phillips – CES Pam Klassen-Dueck - GVSD

Bonnie McCutcheon (will help with setup/takedown, etc.; Not on board)

5. Ideas for future speakers or sessions?

Author

I always enjoy Sally Bender.

Ways to get \$\$ for libraries.

Authors/illustrators??

Book Trailers

E-Libraries and E-readers

Theft in the library

Keep having future sessions and keep us up to date!

Would love to attend a similar session next year.

Great Job!!

Learn more about finding grants for libraries.

elibraries and ereaders

More about reading books; less web info and teachers' resources