MORTLACH SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 5TH, 2011

PRESENT: Colleen Campbell, Corinne Cobbe, Joline Graves, Catherine Linn, Elizabeth Linn, Cori Saas, Cheryl Searle, and Rod Ward.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

MINUTES: The minutes of the October meeting were reviewed. One correction was made – Mae West Theatre should read Mae Wilson Theatre.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mission Statement:

- Mortlach SCC current mission statement reads: "Our mission is to form a strong bond between our school and community to ensure shared responsibility in the security and education of our youth."
- Mortlach School's mission statement is "The students, parents and staff of the Mortlach School Community are dedicated to providing a positive environment that promotes lifelong learning and commitment to caring and sharing."
- Prairie South Schools #210 Mission Statement is "Learning together for our future."
- Discussion followed on our mission statement

MOTION: Moved by Rod Ward and seconded by Joline Graves that our mission statement be reworded to read: "Our mission is to form a strong bond between our school and community to ensure shared responsibility in the education of our youth." **CARRIED**

Budget:

- Cheryl reviewed the budget draft that had been forwarded to SCC members via email on November 24th.
- A discussion followed.
- Budget is attached

MOTION: Moved by Rod Ward and seconded by Joline Graves that the budget be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

MOTION: Moved by Rod Ward and seconded by Colleen Campbell that we reimburse Ms. Melanie Hallborg approximately $60.00 for the reading incentive program expenses that she incurred. **CARRIED**

Reading Incentive Program:

- the SCC would like to see reading incentive programs in place at all grade levels
- Ms. Wigmore has a program in place for the K, 1, 2 classroom
- Ms. Hallborg is developing a program for the 3, 4, 5 classroom
- Mrs. Cobbe was not aware of what Mrs. Gusa's plans
- Ms. Saas will have a program for the high school students
- Mrs. Cobbe will ask the teachers about the reading incentives program and what they would like to see in place in our school.
- The SCC had talked about doing a book exchange during the Christmas Train Breakfast, but that does not allow enough time for planning. Will look at doing it in conjunction with SLC's in the spring.

Ms. Saas Group:

- Mortlach School will be hosting another open mic event in February and it will be open to all high school students
- Our students are hosting an open mic event at Java Express in Moose Jaw in April in conjunction with Festival of Words
- In Mid May there will be a day where the Provincial Performance Poets come in and teach the students how to "SLAM"
- End of May there will be a "SLAM" Competition at the Mae Wilson Theatre in Moose Jaw in conjunction with the Festival of Words Committee and they will handle all communication and advertising expenses regarding the event. They will also pay for this event in the future, but this year we will have to pay the $700.00 up front – it is undetermined at this time where this funding will come from.

Networking Meeting:

- Cheryl discussed the Networking Session that she, Colleen and Cori attended at Lindale School on November 23rd.
- She read the factors that influence student achievement sheet that we received at the meeting.
- We also received an Orientation Guide for SCC's. It is a much smaller publication than the handbook we received when SCC's were originally formed and should be a valuable tool for new members in the future.
- Mortlach School Community Council was mentioned at the Networking Session as having a strong council, and part of this is due to the continuity brought by having members that have been on Council since its inception – Colleen Campbell and Rod Ward.

Community Resource Profile:

- We had a good response at SLC's with 26 parents filling in the questionnaire
- Catherine will do up a summary of the results. This document will be made available to the teachers.

Student Led Conferences:

- Attendance for conferences was 86%
- This does not include the families that had to reschedule and held a conference outside of the scheduled times on Thursday evening and Friday morning.

Holiday Train:

- Holiday train arrives Wednesday morning at 8:15
- Coffee and muffins are going to be at the school this year as the hall will be set up for the Seniors Dinner
- MCDAS can set up the school tomorrow (December 6th) after 5:00 pm – Colleen will contact to see what they want to do

Turkey Toonie Dinner:

- Colleen distributed lists to Joline, Rod and Cheryl on who they were to phone
- Colleen has already contacted the people that are cooking turkeys and potatoes
- We need the food at the school by 11:45 am
- Turkeys have been ordered from Fellinger's and Colleen will pick them up on December 12th
- Cookies have been ordered from Maple Leaf Bakery and Colleen will pick them up on Dec. 14th
- Colleen will look after purchasing the supplies (plates, cups, etc) for the Toonie Lunch.
- Rod will be on hand to carve any turkeys that require carving
- We will start serving the K, 1, 2 classroom first
- The public has been invited to come at 12:00

- We can set up on the 14th after senior boys basketball practice ends at 5:30 pm, or on the morning of the 15th.
- Need the SCC members at the school by 10:30 am to set up
- Colleen will contact the Village Office to see when we can get the tables
- It was decided that whatever profit there is from the lunch will go towards the purchase of the new score clock and shot clocks

From the Principal:

- The school has not received the vouchers yet for the Warrior Game on Saturday

From SRC:

- The New Score Clock and Shot Clocks will cost approximately $7000.00
- The SRC currently has $4000.00 to put towards the purchase of the score clocks
- Colleen suggested we have a donation jar available at the Toonie Dinner on December 15th – if we inform the community of the need, they will support us.
- Ms Saas will make a fundraising monitor to show how much money we have and where we need to go. Colleen suggested making something to resemble a basketball standard, with hoop and basket on top – might be able to find something at the Dollar Store that would work.
- Ms. Saas asked that each team have someone wearing their game jerseys at each of the public events.
- Colleen suggested that we have coffee at the Christmas Concert with a silver donation that will go towards the score clock – it may not seem like much, but every little bit helps. We will have likely have coffee and cream left over from the Toonie Lunch
- Colleen also told Ms. Saas about the fundraising opportunity available at Mosaic Place in Moose Jaw. Fundraising groups receive $750.00 for cleaning up after events at Mosaic Place. The groups that Colleen has done it with have taken between two and three hours. Students must be 15 and over and you have to have adult supervision. You clean the bowl area (pick up garbage, sweep floors, spot mop under seats and on concourse where drinks are spilled and mop all stairs, empty garbage and recycle bins and take garbage down to dumpster) and also vacuum the area upstairs.

NEW BUSINESS:

February Meeting:

- Ron Gleim would like to attend our February meeting

SELU Review:

- Corinne discussed the review regarding the alternate school year vs. traditional school year.

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting is January 9th, 2012 at 7:00 p.m

ADJOUNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Budget for Mortlach School Council 2011-2012 School Year
(September 1, 2011 – August 31, 2011)

Budget Item	2010-2011	2011-2012
General Expenses	**7% of $1000 budget ($68)**	**25% of $1600 ($400)**
Child Care	Nil	Nil
Meeting Expenses	$50	$50
Travel	$550 (not used)	Nil
Communication and PR	Nil	$150
Photocopying	Nil	$50
Incidental Expenses	$100 (used $3.50)	$50
Professional Development	Nil	Nil
SLIP – Community Building	**89% 0f $1000 ($890)**	**40% of $1600 ($640)**
Gifts	Grad $75 Retirement $50	Grad $50 Retirement $50
Staff Appreciation	Teachers $100 Other Staff $75	$100
Turkey Toonie Lunch	$50 (actual profit of $71)	Possible profit of $150
Education Week	Pancake Breakfast $50	Nil
Anti-bullying T-shirts	$481	Nil
Outdoor Ed Trip	$200	$200
Other Projects		$390
SLIP – Academic Improvement	**Nil**	**35% of $1600 ($560)**
Reading Projects	Nil	$560