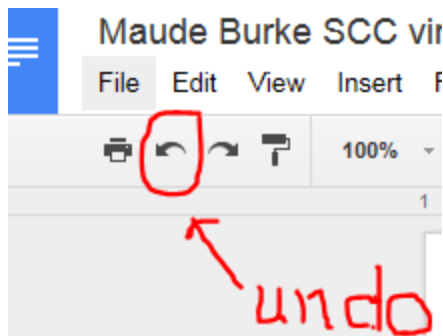


Maude Burke SCC virtual meeting - March 24th - 28th, 2014

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Agenda:

Attendees (type your name here):

1. R. Steciuk
2. Roberta Skiftun
3. Brandi Moskal
4. Jill Gendall
5. Kyla Leblanc
6. Pam Kellington
7. Pattie Draude

8. Connie Miller
 9. Carrie Malmgren
 10. Erin Wiseman
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1) **Old Minutes:**

[click here](#) to access the minutes from the Jan 9/ 14 meeting

Motion to adopt old minutes: Roberta Skiftun

Second: Kyla Leblanc

OR discussion or changes:

2) **New Items:**

A. Principal's report:

- a. **March was ASSEMBLY matrix month - we have worked on Burke Bees (respect to self, others, and property in the assembly aspect). The grade one students and their teacher did a great video to share with the students.**
- b. **Talent Show - thanks to ...the students that took part, Miss Tegstrom and Miss Beecher for organizing and practicing with the students, and all the people that were able to attend the evening event!**
- c. **Staffing Updates 2014 - at this time, we do not foresee any changes from the current staffing personnel, and our enrollment projection is for a similar number as this year (165 students and 16 pre-kinder)**
- d. **School supplies - we are going to try something new this year. It was a discussion item last year at the staff and SCC level, but we opted to proceed with the idea via local vendors. There is an Alberta based company, that allows you to send in your school lists, and they compile an order form and a price - at the start of the school year, they send to the school all of the orders done by parents over the summer - parents then do not have to go shopping for supplies, and there is supposed to be a bulk purchase discount, followed by 8% of sales that goes back to the school that we can use towards snack or other. Last year the teachers were concerned that items were then not labelled. The company now provides 40 labels with student name. We can have a delivery date of a week prior to school - we can then set items up at the school,**

parents can come and pick them up and put labels on, then send the bag back to school and you are done!

i. **Rationale to try this is two fold:**

1. to make it easier for parents and hopefully save some money...we know that supply shopping is sometimes stressful and interesting, and sometimes we buy fancier than needed items because our child wants it...this process may allow for all to have the same thing (all items are name brand, not dollar store items)
2. This process will allow the school to see the price of the list. As a principal, with two kids, I know that school supplies, new shoes, new school clothes, etc. is an extremely expensive time. Working with www.schoolstart.ca will allow each us to see how much \$\$ it costs for the supplies we are asking you to provide. This may be a good visual to allow the teacher to remove items that are not used much, or reduce number of items being asked for....it is easy to pick something up later that a child runs out of - I do not think we need everything on day one of school...which can hopefully help us reduce the initial return to school expense. This is optional...parents can still go to the store and purchase supplies as well.

a. **thoughts/ideas**

- b. I think it is a smart idea, as long as ALL parents/guardians know how to take advantage of this. May be difficult for some that don't have good communication or access to online purchasing at home...maybe suggest that someone can co-ordinate for those on restricted incomes and no access to the internet? (R. Skiftun)
- c. I love that they provide labels now! (J. Gendall)
- d. Awesome idea...especially now with the Labels that they provide as well! (K. Leblanc)
- e. This is a great idea! (P. Kellington)
- f. I agree, I like the idea of online school supply shopping and consistency of products. I strongly agree that our teachers could tweak their lists and that all items don't have to come the first day of school, as it is a very expensive time for families. Could we divide the list into "back to school -fall" and a "back to school - feb break" list? Last year I phoned Laura Wallace at Darn Computers and she got all my supplies ready. I picked the "packages" up and it was easy and convenient. I like shopping local, but the price was higher than this company and no percentage to the school either. Just a thought (P. Draude)

- g. I've liked the set up with faxing the list to Darn Computers and just picking it up - we've done that for the past 2 years. If this company is just as easy to deal with, then it sounds good to me. (Connie)
- h. We will still share our list with Darn computers as we have in the past - the online, Darn computers, or wherever parents choose to purchase will be their choice - we are just trying to provide options, efficiency, and getting the price down. I like the fall list, spring list idea as well - I think we have options to make this better for parents! (R. Steciuk)
- i. -I like the idea due to ease and really like the idea of a fall and spring list. would be nice not to have to send so much the first day of school!(e. wiseman)

e. March 28 - mini carnival pm - The teachers are going to do an outdoor activity - snow fun - 1:30-3:25 on Friday - bring good clothing, ice cream buckets. "thanks for organizing this, sounds fun!" (P. Draude) just wondering why this wasn't done on a kindergarten day?? (ewiseman) Erin, we have a number of students away on the friday due to archery and some leaving on holidays, and the teachers planned around that as some division two classrooms only have 4 students. As with all Maude Burke events, feel free to join the group on Friday though! This is the same as when speakers/presenters come in..sometimes it falls on a non K day - we still welcome all back to the events (R. Steciuk) ok, thanks!(ewiseman)

f. Archery provincials - we have students in grades 4,5, and 6 that will be shooting in the National Archery in the Schools Provincial tournament in Yorkton on the 28th of March - good luck archers. More info here: <http://naspschools.org/>, and the Burke/ MUCC archery page is can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

g. Residential Schools recognition: The NESD board of Education asks that SCCs work with the school community to plan a school event to prominently display the Federal Government's 2008 statement of apology to former students of Indian Residential Schools. See memo by clicking [here](#).

i. Discussion/ ideas here:

- 1. National Aboriginal day is June 21st (that is a Saturday)...maybe something right before this day? (R. Steciuk)**
2. I think I remember hearing someone mention an idea at the meeting with the board...they had suggested doing a big bannock

day? I really like that idea. and what about having a little Aboriginal recognition type afternoon? Like a show and tell for some of the kids and maybe music and dancing if any of our students do that? (R. Skiftun). I love the idea of a bannock making "class" for our students. Perhaps we could get Dennis's mom to come into the school and show our students how make bannock? They could each get a recipe card to take home and show their family how to make. Dancers would be a treat for our students that day as well. (P. Draude)

3. I was just able to secure a Rock band from James Smith - the band is called Constant Reminder. This is a family group of aged 13-19 year olds that have found success in the music business while still attaining good grades. An article in REZX magazine stated, "Constant Reminder started from scratch; from a father determined to raise a family that had big dreams, a work ethic and life philosophy to make those dreams come true." We have them booked for 1pm on June 18th. Hopefully we can tie Roberta's comments in to this presentation. (R. Steciuk) Awesome idea!! (P. Draude) And I think it is AWESOME that they are related to one of the students in the grade 3 class...makes it more meaningful I think (R Skiftun)
4. I Love the idea of a Bannock Day, also think that's Awesome that Randy has booked the band Constant Reminder, very lucky students I would say :). (K.Lebanc) AGREE! (P. Draude)
5. I will get a hold of Dennis Constant to see if the 18th would work for him to help us out. I believe that on this scale of preparation and cooking he will need some help - if you can volunteer on the 18th to help Dennis out, please put your name down here - thanks!! (R. Steciuk) 18th of April? or when? (P. Draude)sorry - the **18th of June** - Aboriginal day is on the 21st and Constant Reminder is booked 20 and 21st. So we will tie in as close as possible.(R. Steciuk)
6. *I will make a motion that we pay for constant reminder from SCC board funds as a parent engagement strategy. I also make a motion that we buy 10 \$20 timmies cards for a draw for parents that complete the TTFM survey.* (P. Draude) Second: (K. Leblanc) in favor(ewiseman) in favor (R Skiftun)

- h. **Student Led Conferences - we are going to try something new and give out a time early (same time as the last interviews). We often have cancellations on the day of and have to reschedule - we hope this process can prevent that. You should have had a time come home to you on Friday,**

along with a Stoney Lake interest check - we had a Burke family donate 12 spots to Stoney for this summer. If you did not get an SLC/Stoney form home - please contact your teacher or the school ASAP.

- i. **Tell Them From Me- April 14 to May 9th is our window for the tell them from me student and parent survey this year. Students in grades 4-6 will complete an online survey about their school - this feedback is used at the staff and SCC level - last year it led to the installation of soccer nets for each division two grade as that was a strong student request. Parents will again be given a link to do the survey as well - we will have computers available at the Student led conferences (March 29 and 30) that can be used for those that do not have computer access at home.**
 - i. **How do we increase parent engagement on Tell them from Me?**
Timmies cards for anyone who completes the survey? (P. Draude)
 - ii. *I will make a motion that we pay for constant reminder from SCC board funds as a parent engagement strategy. I also make a motion that we buy 10 \$20 timmies cards for a draw for parents that complete the TTFM survey.* (P. Draude) Second: (K. Leblanc)
 - iii. Pattie will pick up Tim's Cards (P. Draude)
 - iv. We will do synrevoice email, text, (maybe phone) and newsletter – also will have computers set up at SLC's for those that do not have internet access at home to complete TTFM parent surveys. Honor system - complete the survey, send form back with child with your name, or complete at the office, and we will put names in the draw for the 10- \$20 Timmy gift cards as an incentive to provide feedback to the school and SCC on the TTFM survey (R. Steciuk)
 - v. There was a fair bit of discussion at the rural Congress about the use and importance of the data collected through TTFM. It would be a good thing to try and increase the responses any way we can (R Skiftun)
- j. **Other reminders:**
 - i. **No school March 29-April 6 - return April 7 (which is a kinder day)**
 - ii. **April 9 Spring photos am, Dad's night out 6:30 - see Brandi's update**
This looks awesome! (P. Draude) Greg is so happy that there is something for dads!(ewisman) Just wondering about spring photos?? is it the same as the other session of photos and is there a form to sign up other siblings?? (ewisman) Erin, on april 7th we are sending a pose form home..new...on this form is a spot to sign up for siblings if both kids are in the school - if the sibling is not in the school, call Kendra 306-752-2391 or email her tegstrom.kendra@nesd.ca and we will sign you up....sibling photos out of the school will be done first thing - 9am on april 9th. (please note we have changed pink shirt day to the 11th so it is not on our photo

day:) (R. Steciuk)

- iii. **April 11 9:30-11:30am - Building Bridges Baby and Toddler Group**
- iv. **No school April 18 - Easter Friday**
- v. **No School April 21 - Easter Monday / Teachers' Convention**
- vi. **SLC April 29 and 30**
- vii. **May 9 9:30-11:30am - Building Bridges Baby and Toddler Group**
- viii. **May 1 - KTHR Body Walk**
- ix. **No school May 19 - Victoria Day**
- x. **No School May 20 - School improvement planning day (SIP)**

B. Outreach Updates: B. Moskal

- a. **Dad's Night Out! - Parental engagement activity especially for dads (and any other male adults that might play a role in our student's lives); April 9 6:30-7:30pm at the school; stations such as Lego Building, Tower Building Contest, Air Hockey/Foosball, Basketball/Floor Hockey, Snack, etc. will be available for dads and their children to participate in.**
- b. **Snack - Co-op continues to be a huge support to our snack program. They prepare and deliver our snack every morning for no extra charge. This makes our daily snack program possible since snack is delivered ready to go out to classrooms. Huge Thank You to Melfort Co-op! Currently using up BFL grant money (which is supported through Extra Foods Children's Charity). Then we will use up all school budgeted Nutrition Money before using the allotted SCC money.**
- c. **Grade 6 transition items update/info - continue to hold joint monthly after school programming for Gr 6 students from all 3 schools; last month was bowling. We have around 40 students attending each activity which is great! Will have another activity late April/early May and then in June the Gr 6 Scavenger Hunt at MUCC which was a huge success last year!**
- d. **Building Bridges Baby & Toddler group- this is a group that Jill Gendall and I are doing one Friday morning a month for parents and children 0-3 living in our area. It is basically a chance for parents to meet other parents in our area, become familiar with the school (and Pre-K Program), and engage in free fun play based activities with their children. We had the first session earlier this month and it went really well! We had 5 families attend. That's great! (P. Draude) Is this open to all parents with toddlers in the area or that have children in the school? I would be interested in bringing Aurora, even though I know she won't be able to attend school here once she is in kindergarten. (C.Malmgren) You are definitely welcome to come with Aurora. It is open to all parents with babies and toddlers in our school community. We are flexible too though depending on who would like to attend.(B.Moskal)**
- e. **Body Walk - We are looking at hosting this interactive health fair for all students in April. Students will have a chance to participate in interactive**

stations and learn about different parts of the body and how to take care of them. Stations are led by volunteers; if you are interested in volunteering at this event (this will occur during school hours) please contact me at the school. **Date: THURSDAY MAY 1.** I may be able to come and help on work time if I know in advance the date - this fits in with school nurse stuff (P. Draude) I will let you know as soon as we set the date Pattie ... should be in next day or so. Thanks! (B.Moskal) Awesome thanks Brandi! (P. Draude) If this is in the afternoon Brandi I can volunteer. (J. Gendall) depending on the time, I should be free to help as well. (ewiseman)

C. Old business:

- a. **The Melfort SCC's met with the NESD board to go over a session in which feedback was provided on what was positive in the NESD, and what could be even better - this took place at Maude Burke school on March 11th from 7-8:30 pm.**
 - i. I found this evening a great opportunity to share what we are proud of with the board, and to also identify some challenges with them as well. I felt like what we said was well received. Thanks to the board for coming to us! (P. Draude)
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D. Budget: Kyla L.

- a. **Please refer to March MBSCC budget materials by clicking on the treasurer's report [here](#)**
- b. The Treasurer's Report for March 26, 2014 is included with all of our Revenue and Expenditures up to date as well as the allocations for each Budget item! I also have included the results of our last Pizza Sale, showing a small profit which shows that they are basically cost recovery! (K.LebLANC)
 - i. **Questions or comments:**
 - 1. Thanks for the transparency on the budget for all to see and understand - great job! Appreciated. (R. Steciuk)
 - 2. Looks great as always Kyla! (P. Draude)