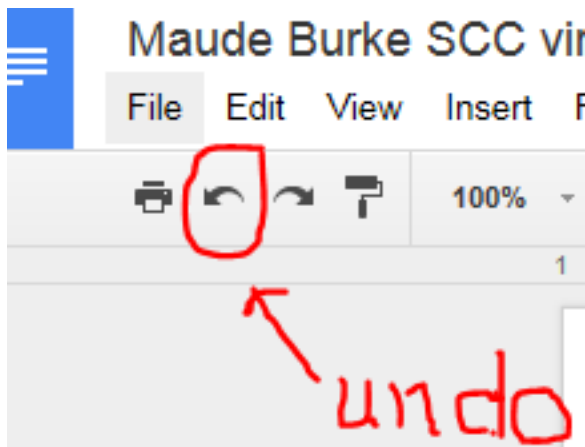


Maude Burke SCC virtual meeting - Feb 5-11, 2015

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Last but not least..remember to not put down comments, remarks, or opinions of other people..this is not the forum - the intent is to be a group that works in the best interest of our students - thanks and enjoy the reading!!!

Agenda:

Attendees (type your name here):

1. R. Steciuk
 2. C. Miller
 3. C. Ewanus
 4. T. Allan
 5. C. Malmgren
 6. R. Skiftun
 7. L. Brady
 8. J. Gendall
 9. E. Wiseman
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1) Old Minutes:

[click here](#) to access the minutes from the Nov. 26/14 meeting

Motion to adopt old minutes: Carrie

Seconder: Tammy

2) New Items:

A. Principal's report:

- a. **New Staff Member** - Mrs. Link (EA) is away for the remainder of the year, and in her place we have Mrs. Christina Klein from Tisdale filling in. Welcome to Mrs. Klein! In addition, Miss Pederson was married over the Christmas break and is now Mrs. Hoenmans :)
- b. **February is ASSEMBLY matrix month** - we have worked on Burke Bees (respect to self, others, and property in the assembly aspect). We have challenged the students to display great behavior, and with it will come some rewards. Grades 4-6 are working on earning a Tim Horton Hot chocolate to take to class if they are behavior incident free in February, and k-3 a Valentine buddy reward. We are also reminding the students that we have the Arctic Explorer coming to our school - John Dunn - see his website here: <http://www.arcticlight.com/> Times are listed on our website. 4,5,6 will have Brunswick and Reynolds here as guests. Non-K day students are welcome to attend with a parent - and all parents are welcome! (March 17th)

- c. **Staffing Updates 2015** - at this time, we are working on staffing projections for the upcoming year. If you or anyone you know is moving out of our area, or into our area, please contact, or have them contact the office asap. In addition, if you have a Kinder student for next year, please stop by and fill out a registration form. We will be having a kinder meet and greet in May.
- d. **School supplies** - we are going to try School Start supplies one more time as we had some positive feedback. Two years ago, it was a discussion item at the staff and SCC level, but we opted to proceed with the idea via local vendors. Last year, we offered School start online ordering from this Alberta based company.
- i. 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 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!
 - ii. **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.
 - 3. **After this year, we will adjudicate if it is worth the organization and time.**

Thoughts/ideas

- a. **While I didn't take part in the program, my main reason was because of the deadline. As Connie said, not knowing what supplies were left from the past year had me skip this option as I was worried I would order items that were not needed. If the deadline was later, I would definitely take advantage of this program as it would save me the headache of shopping. Lisa B**
- b. **We decided against this option. We found that it was too expensive against buying needed supplies in store. It would be a super handy option if costs were more in line. Erin W**
- c. **I didn't use the online option either, I felt that I had LOTS left over from the previous year, so didn't need to buy a whole "kit" again. If we could order individual items - ie - don't need crayons or glue but need new markers, that would be great. Pattie Draude**

Feedback from anyone that tried this last year

- a. **The deadline was too early. I found that we had to pre-order in June...before the kids brought everything home from their desks/lockers at the end of the year. So I'd pre-ordered the grade 3 list and she came home a week later with half her supplies left over that we'd bought for grade 2. So we ended up with a box of extra stuff that's sat at home all year. If the school supply company could use an early July date it would make ordering the right amount easier. C. Miller p.s. Otherwise, I think the service is great...saves time and having everything delivered to our post office for \$5 is perfect! Excellent feedback thanks Connie! (Randy)**
- b. **I also thought it was great. I had no issues with it either except, like Connie, a more workable deadline would have been better. I am wondering about how many parents fully understood what this was? Is there a way to make it more known? How do you catch the entire student body's parent other than at student LED. (Roberta)**
- c.

e. Maude Burke Archery team (Grades 4 and 5)

- i. will be taking part in the second National Face to Face tournament - being held in Edmonton. Archers shoot on Saturday March 14th. Good luck archers!!!
- ii. the team will also be shooting Provincials in Avonlea on April 25th. Edmonton picked the Nationals dates due to thier Sports and Leisure Show, thus it is before Sask Provincials.
- iii. Members of the team can access all information on our webpage quick link [HERE](#)

f. MUCC Archers - grades 6-9

- 1. Thanks to Mr. Simpson and Mr. Constant who are taking on grades 6-12 archery teams.
- 2. They will be using the Maude Burke gym for practice
- 3. This is a huge help - it allows 60 some archers, their coach and communication to be in the MUCC building - it was tough trying to do all communication when Mr. Steciuk and Mr. Wehrkamp were here and the kids were in another building.
- 4. In addition, we believe this will help rebuild our elementary team, as we were spread amongst 3 practice groups last year, each group getting one daynow our grades 4 and 5 are getting 3 practices a week...and it is the youngest that need the most time as they are just learning the skill...so this is a huge help to all - thanks Mr. Simpson and Mr. Constant!

g. Swimming:

- 1. For Kinder where we have parents in the change rooms, we are requesting a criminal records clearance - thanks to our parents that have done this so far - we appreciate the time it takes to do this and to volunteer your time - but appreciate knowing our kids are safe and attended to!
- 2. Additional dates - due to lifeguards and times, we have had to make swimming dates for div one and div two on different days, which creates and extra bussing expense. This is something we did not budget for, but will monitor costs, and hope we can keep the same number of outings for next year. All of our dates are on our webpage.
 - a. Feb 10 – 10:30-11:30 Gr 1-3
 - b. Feb 23 - 10:30-11:30 Gr 4-6
 - c. March 18 - 10:30-11:30 Gr 1-3
 - d. March 25 - 10:30-11:30 Gr 4-6
 - e. June 10 – 9:30-11:30 Gr 1-6
- 3. Kinder dates are shared with parents and also on our calendar. Kinder shares pool costs with Reynolds and Brunswick.

h. Student Led Conferences - April 29 and 30 - evenings

1. we will do the same as we did last year for the second interviews....that is, we will provide you with the 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.
2. please contact your teacher or the school ASAP if you will need a different time other than what you had for our first SLC's
3. SLC times will come home April 13-17 as a reminder
4. **New as of Feb. 5 11:40 am -SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR** - our week for the bookfair is the same week of student led conferences (hopefully helps parents as they are already in the building)...the only problem we created was that all of the teachers are in classrooms with parents - if you can volunteer to work the fair outside of your SLC time, put your name down here and we will make up a schedule closer to the date to share with you (as you may not remember when your interview was last time). If you know of anyone in the community that may want to volunteer tell them to call us. Thanks!!!
 - a. Wed Names: Roberta, Tammy
 - b. Thurs Names: Erin after 5pm, Pattie after 5 pm
 - c. The SCC will provide sitters for the SLC's for both evenings again. C. Malmgren - Thanks!! (Randy)

i. Tell Them From Me Survey - This will take place again in April / May

- i. This is a student and parent survey
- ii. Students in grades 4-6 will complete an online survey about their school - this feedback is used at the staff level for data and decision making.
- iii. How do we increase parent engagement on Tell them from Me? Last year we gave out Timmie cards to all that participated. Our numbers were up and feedback on the cards was positive.
- iv. *Last year, We did a synrevoice email, text, (maybe phone) and newsletter – we also had 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 their name, or completed at the office, and we put names in the draw for the 10- \$20 Timmy gift cards as an incentive to provide feedback to the school on the TTFM survey*
- v. Any other ideas, or motion to use board designated funds to purchase more cards for this?
We still have 8? Tim's cards left over from last year that we can use (these ones might be the \$5 cards that we were giving out to people that showed up for SCC meetings). C. Malmgren

j. 2015-16 School Calendar

1. Reminder to submit your preference. We have 3 for option 1 and 1 for option 2.
2. Thanks to those that shared rationale on their vote - and if you would like to share it here, feel free to do so.
 - a. option 1 gives more instructional hours for the child, and keeps the Feb. break intact. C. Miller
 - b. I also voted for option 1, eliminating or shortening the Feb. break can cause an issue for split families, ones that have joint custody where there is a clause "the secondary parent shall have one week of the christmas break, and either the week of the Feb. break or Easter break, to be agreed upon by both parties." C.Malmgren
 - c. In talking to many parents, option 1 is the favored option. I will vote for option 1. Tammy A.
 - d. I would have to agree with option 1 as well, and it has my vote. Lisa B

k. NESIP

1. we did not have any proposals from school or SCC
2. if you still have a proposal, we can check on submission opportunities, or work on the proposal for next year.
3. [Again, the link to the information is located here](#)

L. Outreach Update:

Financial Budget

Currently we have \$3441.82 remaining of the \$9500. This money is used for the snack program, special events and academic supplies. The Breakfast for Learning grant had another installment. A \$300 cheque and \$700 in gift cards to be used at Extra Foods. Of the \$800 in the account, \$279.98 is left. and from the \$1700 in gift cards, \$1094.33 is remaining. The snack program also draws from a donation of \$725 from the Co-op. \$436.37 is remaining in that account. Chelly, what is your opinion on how far the funds left will take the snack program? Is there enough money to have snack til the end of June? I am wondering if the SCC will need to donate money, which we might possibly have to fundraise for. C. Malmgren

After School Programs are taking place monthly. Maude Burke hosted the January events for grades 4,5, & 6. The grade 4's had 39 students, the grade 5's had 31, and the grade 6's had 16. (all 3 schools combined).

February 3 & 4 were after school groups for the grade 3 class. The class was divided into 2 groups and we did Lego in the library and had some Mustang

players join us. A snack of cookies and milk was had at the end of an enjoyable hour.

Upcoming events: Grade 5 Girls - Social Group begins on February 6th at noon. We will meet every Friday until the end of March.

After School Programs for the grades 4 and 5 will be held at Reynolds this month on February 10 (gr.5) and February 12 (gr. 4). The grade 6 after school group will be going to the curling rink on February 11.

Question: Is there no afterschool programs for Grades 1-3? Thanks, Pattie Draude

M. Rural Congress:

1. Roberta will be attending on our behalf

N. Soup Luncheon

1. **Connie Miller's sister-in-law would like to donate another case of soup to the school for a hot lunch day. This is compliments of the Campbells Company and no cost to the school. She will donate soup and a case of bowls. All we need to do is heat it up and serve it to the kids... Thanks Connie!!!**
2. **volunteers needed -**
 - a. **How many have we had in the past..assume we need some people in kitchen and some serving in classrooms...thanks for your feedback -**
 - b. **If you are able to volunteer that would be appreciated....list your name here - thanks!!**
 - i. Kendra said the bowls are there now, and I will bring home the cases of soup this weekend from Saskatoon, so you can book any date you want. C. Miller
 - ii. **The last soup day we had 4 parents there to help serve, 1 that was there earlier to prepare the soup, (very easy to do, and I am available to do this) 2 parents for k-3 and 2 parents for 4-6. We also served a bun and a drink with the soup. I think we should charge \$2 if we decide to serve the bun and drink, as we did have a \$67 loss on the pizza sale(we need to increase the cost of the pizza sale by \$1 to prevent this again) I will be there for the soup day, what ever day we decide to have it. I will also talk to Kendalle Rice as she would like to help with the food sales as well, she**

was not able to help last time due to a scheduling flaw with her husbands work. If need be I can find other volunteers as well. C. Malmgren

- iii. I can help out as well. T. Allan
- iv. it will depend on the day of I am available but as long as i know enough in advance I should be able to help (Roberta)
- v. I am able to help if needed, just need to know a few day in advance. Lisa B
- c. What date works for people....we are flexible :) Any date works for me. C Malmgren. Fridays are best for me but I can make any day work Tammy A. I can make it any day of the week. Lisa B
- d. I am able to help mainly Wed, Thurs or Frid. Erin W

A. Old business:

- a. None

A. Budget: Tammy A

a. Updates:

- i. It has been a bit chaotic for me these last few days, but I will do my best to report on the finances. I did manage to rescue my binder from the house so that helps. The last statement that I have from the bank is from December 31, 2014 and the balance was \$403.26. I will check at the school today for the January statement and report back. Tammy A.

b. Questions or comments:

- 1. I would like to take a moment and thank the SCC and the staff at Maude Burke for making all the events safe for all to attend. I was concerned when Payton started school she would be excluded from snacks, special lunches etc due to her allergy, but this is not the case. Everyone has gone above and beyond in making sure not just Payton but all those with allergies and special diets can be included in all the activities, even if they can't have what is being served alternatives are provided. It is a wonderful thing when she comes home from school and tells me how "normal" she feels when she can enjoy these special events with everyone. Thanks you all for your hard work in planning these events! Lisa B - *Thank you for sharing this Lisa! (Randy)*

2. I would also like to take this time to thank all of the families that donated clothing, toys and supplies for our family after the fire. Melfort is a wonderful community to live in. Tammy A