

**La Verendrye School  
Parent Advisory Council Meeting minutes  
Monday, February 23,2009**

**Present:** L. Beauprie, M. Heaman, P. Crawford, P. Garnham,  
C. Nash, A.Foster, J. Little, W. Harris, J. Meroniuk-Vezey  
**Regrets:** Nil

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**1. Call to Order:** Meeting called to order @ 7:10 pm

**2. Additions to the Agenda:**

**10.3 2009 MAPC AGM**





**3. Adoption of the Previous Meeting Minutes:**

J. Meroniuk – Vezey moved that the January 26, 2009 Meeting Minutes be adopted as amended (add W. Harris to meeting participant list). **Seconded by A. Foster.**  
**Carried Unanimously.**

**4. Treasurer's Report:**

W. Harris presented the Treasurer's report. W. Harris moved that the report be adopted as presented. **Seconded by M. Heamann. Carried Unanimously**


**5. Correspondence:**

-  Thank you card from LVS staff re Teacher Appreciation
-  MAPC Newsletter/AGM Conference
-  Invitation from Portage la Prairie School Board for budget meeting.
-  Receipt from MAPC re annual registration

**6. Fundraising Report:**

No activity.

**7. Teacher Liason:**

-  **February is I love to Read Month:** LVS is going to celebrate the last week of February with the following activities:  
\*Today was words

- \* PJ day- Cuddle up and read
- \* Wednesday- Assembly
- \* Thursday dress as your favorite T.V., book or movie character
- \*Multilingual reading of Robert Munesh
- \* DEAR
- \*Mystery Reader
- \* Bookmark

- + **Art Smart:** All classes are participating in the ceramic tile project in the foyer square and the stained glass pillar. Leta Owens will look at the ideas submitted and design a pattern for these projects.
- + **Parent Teacher:** Student led portfolios positive feedback from parents.
- + **Willie Amor** – Good presentation

## 8. Principal's Report

- + **I Love to Read:** A variety of activities for I love to read are on this week. Assembly is scheduled for Wednesday @ 3:00 pm. (Wearing pink – bullying prevention awareness day.)
- + **Jazz Band Trip:** Brandon Jazz Festival March 19, 2009.
- + **Kindergarten Registration:** 23 students registered to date. Three of these students are registered as school of choice but also must registering in the catchment area school. The decision for where the students will attend will be made by the Superintendent. LVS will advertise and hold another registration in April before staffing is set for next year.
- + **Early Numeracy Team:** The team was at LVS on Friday Feb.20,2009 to interview Grade K to 3 students, a control group/school to measure effectiveness of first steps in math program at other schools.
- + **MSN/Texting/Facebook:** Issues of conflicts between students online/texting and then being (brought) to school. This is happening as early as grade four.
- + **Student Involved Parent/Teacher conferences-** Debriefing with the staff indicated that most staff felt families liked the conferencing. Feedback forms require to be reviewed. Some K-5 Staff felt they were unable to talk freely with parents as other parents are in the room. Staff for grades 6 to 8 thought

it worked well having the portfolios in the gym and meetings in the classroom.

**✚ Staff Professional Development:** Recent staff training include: Proactive Strategies for Challenging Children, Computer Program, Basic French, Assessment, Power of ten(math), Reading Recovery, Council for Exceptional Children.

**9. Unfinished Business:**

**9.1 MAPC Registration:** Registration fees have been paid.

**9.2 Audit of Books for AGM -** Same completed by Marilyn Gagnon and Aggie Foster

**10. New Business:**

**10.1 Constitution Changes:** For AGM October 2009

**10.2 School Wishlist –** New Basketball jerseys

**10.3 2009 MAPC AGM :** The MAPC conference is May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd, 2009. If parents from LVS wish to attend please notify a member from LVSPAC.

**11. Adjournment:** 7:50pm

**Next meeting March 23, 2009 @ 7:00 PM**