

**Miles Macdonell Collegiate  
Parent Advisory Council  
Meeting Minutes  
September 23, 2008**

1. Welcome and Introductions: Ms. Laurie welcome everyone to the Council and introductions were made by all in attendance. Ms. Laurie made a special mention of welcoming Miles Macdonell's new Vice Principal, Mr. Dean Finlay.

2. Selection of a PAC Chairperson and Secretary for the 2008-09 School Year: An explanation of the roles and responsibilities was given by Ms. Laurie

Chairperson for 2008-09 – Mr. Jim Smith

Co-secretaries for 2008-09 – Mrs. Linda Storoschuk and Mrs. Senada Trivunac

3. MMC Parent Advisory Council meeting dates for the 2008-09 school year were establish:

October 28	November 25
January 27	February 17
March 24	April 28
May 19	

4. Divisional Parent Advisory Council meeting dates for the 2008-09 school year were shared:

September 29	October 27
November 24	February 23

\*all these meeting will take place at Kildonan East Collegiate – Library 7-9pm

5. Selection of Meeting Themes for the 2008-09 school year
  - Highlighting Specialty Programs at MMC (Vocational, IB, FI, EAL, Int.Ed.)
  - How to deal with teen age behaviour (The emotional adolescent)
  - Parenting Adolescents
  - Internet Awareness
  - A discussion with Mr. Pottage RETSD Superintendent/CEO
  - Assessment
  - Information about events occurring in the school
  - Transition from High School to Post Secondary Learning Institutions
  - Student Engagement in Learning
6. Administration Report: Ms. Laurie
  - Fall Honours Evening – September 24, 2008
  - Professional Development Days – September 26 and 26 (Priorities: Assessment

- Technology and Positive School Wide Behaviour)
- International Baccalaureate Grade 12 Parent/Student Information Night – September 30
- International Baccalaureate Grad Evening – October 10
- Eight exchange students from The Kumon Leysin Academy in Switzerland are here this month.
- Upcoming Trips: November – Ortona, Italy    March – Japan, France/Spain
- Planned trips 2010: New York and London, England

Staff Report: Ms. McConaghy

- Start – up of the school year
- Student Council Leadership Retreat
- October 2 – Scholarship Meeting

Alumni Report: Mr. Jim Smith

- Shared website and explained past projects that the Alumni has been involved in at MMC

7. Meeting Adjourned @ 8:25 pm. Next Meeting: October 22, 2008 (7:00 pm in the Library)