

**McNab Public School
School Council Meeting
September 22, 2015**

The first School Council meeting of the 2015/2016 school year was held on Tuesday, September 22, 2015.

Attendees:

Charlene Bootland, Tanya Cross, Karen Fraser, Angela Gillan, Dawn Hamilton, Tosh Sinclair, Tracey Stevens, Cathy Stevenson and Michelle Wall.

Welcome:

A moment was taken to make introductions around the table. Tracey chaired the first meeting, as this is protocol until elections have taken place. All four positions are up for election.

Principal's Update:

- Our two Kindergarten classrooms have been renovated and are beautiful.
- We have a new School Trustee (Kim Dunsmoor-Lough). She and our Director of Education Roger Clarke have already visited our school. Mrs. Dunsmoor-Lough will try and attend one of our meetings.
- The Renfrew County District School Board website is regularly updated and keeps all parents informed on current issues.
- Our own McNab School website is updated as needed.
- Parents can go online to review the Health Curriculum.
- The school yard is open and lovely.
- Last year we purchased lumber and rebar to construct a raised garden bed (or two). Quotes will be needed for construction.
- Kid Active is a community organization that teaches kids to play with minimal things. They have visited our school already and have met with office staff and Barb Asselin. We also watched a video presentation. We need to make plans to move forward with this endeavour.
- L4U is our Library system. We are now in a fortunate position to be able to offer iPads for student use at home. We have 4 iPads available for home use on a sign out system. We are working on a Draft Agreement of Responsibility.
- Upcoming: Friday PA Day, Terry Fox Run, Magazine Campaign, Agri-Food Week
- Thanks for the Lochwinnoch Church for supplying us with fancy bandaids and thinking of us with a donation of a student backpack, complete with supplies and lunchkit.

Committees:

Cultural:

- Again this year, Tanya Cross will be heading this up. Looking to find a local author or storyteller to come to the school.

Library:

- Joanne Chartier will again take the lead in the Library. She is a valued and talented volunteer who has been our lead learner with L4U.

Special Events/Social:

- Terri McCallion will be organizing our Christmas Shopping Day. Our Fun Fair committee will be taken on by Amy Tyndall. Other activities that will take place are: Family Halloween Dance, Family Skating Party/Chili Supper, Mega Yard Sale and several Family Movie Nights.

Rink:

- Thank you to Darcy Wall and Andrew Hamilton who have taken the lead with our rink.

Teachers Fund:

- We will continue to help teachers off-set expenses though this fund.

Election of Executive:

The nomination process was as follows:

Position of Chair

Cathy Stevenson motioned to let Dawn Hamilton’s name stand. Angela Gillan seconded this motion. All were in favour.

Position of Co-Chair

At this time no one let their name stand.

Position of Treasurer

Cathy Stevenson motioned to let Charlene Bootland’s name stand. Michelle Wall seconded this motion. All were in favour.

Position of Secretary

Angela Gillan motioned to let Karen Fraser’s name stand. Tanya Cross seconded this motion. All were in favour.

Executive Council

We are pleased to announce the following Executive Council for 2015/2016:

Chair:	Dawn Hamilton	Teacher Rep:	to be determined
Co-Chair:	Unfilled	Non-Teacher Rep:	Cathy Stevenson
Treasurer:	Charlene Bootland	Principal:	Tracey Stevens
Secretary:	Karen Fraser		

New Business:

- We need to determine the outside location of the Book Tree. Our Plant Department will provide assistance in making this happen. There will be a \$75 fee to install
- Mention was made if the classrooms require School Council to purchase more games to have during indoor recesses for student use.
- A new suggestion was to purchase “buddy benches” that are used for students who are in need of a friend. These can have designs painted on them.

Treasurer's Report:

- We are starting the new school year with a Bank Balance of \$12,196.57.

Allocation of Funds:

Cultural	- \$1,500	Teacher Fund	- \$1,400
Library	- \$1,500	Floats	- \$150
Special Events/Social	- \$1,500	Agendas	- \$500
Buddy Benches	- \$1,000		

Motion to accept the allocation of funds was made by Dawn Hamilton and seconded by Michelle Wall.

The schedule for the School Council meetings for the remainder of the year is as follows:

- Tuesday, November 24th, Tuesday, January 26th, Tuesday, March 29th
- Tuesday, May 10th, Tuesday, June 7th

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

<p>Next Meeting Tuesday, November 24th 7:00 p.m. @ McNab Public School</p>
