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Location: Manoah Steves Elementary on Thursday October 1st 2015

Present: Yolanda Domingo & Danny Yee (Co-Chairs), Kanny Chow (Treasurer), Graham Barlow (Secretary), Ally

Medweth, Natasha Mavis, Kushal Samy, Cassandra Chang, Julia Nickerson, Braunwyn Thompson, Grace Ching,

Alan Chuck, Tammy Ross, Lily Li, Cindy Zhang, Katherine Choong, Faye Huang, Justine Ross, Tina Lau

Principals: Allan Osadchy – (McKinney), Braunwyn Thompson (Steves)

Welcome: The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

Minutes: The minutes from the AGM (May 28, 2015) were reviewed and approved.

Administrators Alan Osadchy reported that:

 The memorandum of understanding has been signed with the school board and each school will get \$4000 for materials this year.

The kindergarten info night will be held in November this year (date to be confirmed).

 The new curriculum for K to 9 is a trial this year but will become mandatory next year. Teachers have been preparing.

A letter from the Ministry will be coming which will explain possible changes in the Richmond school district. A public online consultation is ongoing. It is possible that 5-6 elementary schools could be closed. Catchments could change.

Chair: Once the \$4000 is in each school's budget then we can decide how to spend it.

RAM would like to improve communications.

The website has been revamped (Thanks Faye!)

We would like more frequent Facebook updates.

Parents please sign up for email notifications.

Treasurer Kanny reported that:

- \$5600 per school has been allocated.
- We have located the record of payment for the missing shipment of materials. We can now follow up with the supplier.
- Work orders have been submitted for shelving to hold the Montessori materials in the classrooms.



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Fundraising Membership forms will be out next week. The early bird draw prize will be a \$150 Costco gift card. Pub night will be

February 24th.

RAM PAC liason Garden City RAM PAC liaison position is still vacant. Pizza lunch is every Friday along with a PAC meeting. Movie

night is coming. Skate night will be December 11th.

McKinney's new playground will be getting wood chips delivered and will have an opening with First Nations blessing on October 16th. Movie night will be October 22nd. Purchase tickets via Munchalunch. The new library and floors are

in.

Steves had 100 families at their BBQ/meet the teacher. Pizza day is every second week. There is now a link to RAM on the school website. Entertainment books will be sold as a fundraiser.

November 26th (at McKinney) **Next Meeting:**

Adjournment: 7:58