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The Board of Directors expresses great gratitude to Don Rae for nine years of dedicated service; Don will remain a member of the Foundation, but his other charitable efforts will profit from the time previously dedicated to the Board meetings. Thank you, Don.

Several dynamic new members have joined the Foundation Board this fall: Maria de Wolfe, immediate past-President of PASA is our new liaison with the principals and centre directors; Jesse Rémillard-Steiner, coming to us with years of experience at fund-raising at Marianopolis College, and Cynthia Lemme, Regional Manager West Island of BMO Commercial Division, and an LBPSB parent, both bring considerable energy and strong financial backgrounds to PEF.

The applications for grants to schools and classrooms have all been received, on time and with all the necessary documentation. Technology, and in particular hand-held, is definitely the big item on the wish list. The Grants Subcommittee will meet early in January to distribute the \$25,000 available this year.

All the current requests to the Rona Cupak fund for snowsuits, boots, hats and mitts donated to needy students throughout our territory have been delivered. We thank our all-star Administrative Assistant Sue Grand for getting a 10% discount from Walmart and for efficiently organised buying and packaging and we thank Walmart for their generosity. It's not too late- needs will be filled throughout the season.

And ending the year on the highest possible note: our deepest gratitude to the Trottier Family Foundation which has not only supported PEF with an end-of-year donation for the third consecutive year, but has doubled the amount. Because of their generosity PEF funded the registration of 3 teams for CRC -2013 Robotics Competition, up from 2 last year and likely 5 in 2014. We will register 3 teams in Junior Robotics, where there was one last year.

And we are ready for the list after the holidays, for entries to the Montreal Regional Science Fair, where we just might have the Quebec winner for the second year in a row.

Thank you Trottier, for igniting a passion at LBPSB for Science and Technology, that just keeps growing and growing.

Respectfully submitted
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President