

# Dunblane High School Parent Council



## Minutes for the Annual General Meeting of the Parent Council

18th May 2015

Venue – McCarron Room

7.00 – 8.30pm

### Attendees

Linsay Goodfellow (Chair), Frank Lennon (Head Teacher), Christine Cameron (Vice Chair), Heather Dougan (Secretary), Kathy McEwan, Chinny Iroegbu, Lynne Ross, Liz Fraser, Anne Kelly, Audrey Taylor, Kenny Forsyth, Louise Scott (Teacher Representative)

**1 Apologies** Apologies received from Margo Wilkinson, Bid Stanger, Juan Escala.

**2 Approval of Previous AGM Minutes** Minutes were approved by Christine and seconded by Chinny.

### 3 Chair's Report

Linsay spoke of how everything has been running along fairly smoothly since the last AGM. There have been a few changes with the timetable and staff. She thanked everyone for their support over the year. Delighted to be chair of the Parent Council, Linsay thanked everyone for their help and support over the last year.

### 4 Treasurer's Report

There has been two transactions this year in what has been the quietest year Anne has had. The income has been £645 from the wine-tasting fundraiser (Ladies Night) and £900 expenditure from the purchase of

Christmas Lights and decorations. There has been a net loss therefore of £255 with a closing balance of £431.

## **5 Head's Report**

Mr Lennon echoed Linsay's comments on the support the Parent Council has given and there had been no major issues.

The new 33 period week which is asymmetric has not given any of the children with additional needs any problems and the support staff should be thanked for their work in this area. The 33 period week compared with the 32 periods of other schools will allow for curriculum development time for 5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> year and will allow the inclusion of lifestyle subjects such as cookery.

This year we will get one or a maximum 2 probationers. The staffing position is good at the moment and there will be a tri-school alliance with Wallace and Bannockburn with a first meeting being held at Dunblane Hydro on the first day of the pupils return from exams on 2<sup>nd</sup> June. This school alliance will also mean there will also be joint staff development.

Dunblane Civic Society has offered to sponsor another award for the school. Summa Cum Laude (with total and complete praise).

School Calendar – there are no proposed change to parents evening although the school finishing time is early.

Louise Scott spoke of Professional Development and a focus on higher order thinking skills – conversations with staff lead to a focus group to develop skills and expertise and on the in-service day this was rolled out to the whole staff. Breakfast professional reading has also been introduced with 20% of the staff taking part. Louise also spoke of how in August there will be a diversity and equalities group where who the teachers are as professionals and their perception of the community and the world will be developed and lead to a professional culture in the school.

**6 Election Of Committee Members** Linsay spoke of how she would be willing to stay on as Chair. Louise and Heather were also happy to continue in their respective roles. Nominations were taken for the positions of Vice Chair and Treasurer.

**a Office Bearers** Linsay Goodfellow (Chair), Lynne Ross (Vice Chair), Kathy McEwan (Treasurer) Kathy McEwan to shadow, Heather Dougan (Secretary), Louise Scott (Teacher Rep), SPTC Member Chinny, Community and Fundraising Lorraine Thompson, Community Member Sandy Fleming

**b Ordinary Committee Members** – no further committee members were required.

**7 Appointment of Accounts Reviewer** Linsay will ask Christine Cameron if she would be will to do this again for us next year.

**8 Any Other Business** Linsay  
Linsay said a big thank you to Christine and Anne for all their hard work and support over the years and thanked everyone for coming along.

The next DHPC meeting will be on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August at 7.15pm.

The AGM concluded at 1945.