

Dunblane High School Parent Council



Minutes for the Annual General Meeting of the Parent Council

5th September 2016

Venue – McCarron Room

7.00 – 8.30pm

Attendees

Linsay Goodfellow (Chair), Stuart MacKay (Head Teacher), Leslie Imrie (Depute Head) Kathy McEwan, Chinny Iroegbu, Liz Fraser, Louise Scott (Teacher Representative), Sandy Fleming, Lorraine Thomson, Mark Spencer-Bowles, Vicky Sheridan, Rhoda McCrae, Yvonna Johnstone

1 Apologies Apologies received from Lynne Ross and Heather Dougan.

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

3 Chair's Report

Linsay spoke of a busy year with a new Head Teacher being recruited - we are delighted to have Stuart MacKay with us. Thanks go to Sandy Fleming who helped with the recruitment process.

Frank Lennon's retirement was well attended as was the parents farewell evening. Mr Lennon gave a note of thanks to Linsay for Parent Council Support over the years.

Linsay said she enjoyed her time as Chair and thanked all Parent Council Members for their help and support. In particular Heather as Secretary who had been in position for the same length of time as herself and whose contribution had been invaluable.

At the moment Linsay is in the process of organising a Communication Evening for Parent Council members which will be delivered by a representative of SPTC. The date of 7th November has now been confirmed.

4 Treasurer's Report

The income for the year has been £451 from the golf fundraiser which was duly donated to the school and expenditure of £6.95 for the auditor's gift. There has been a net loss therefore of £6.95 with a closing balance of £424.71.

5 Head's Report

Mr MacKay spoke of the new S1 intake of 170 in August whose transition into Dunblane High School was smooth and who had settled well.

The results from the 9th August showed 80% of S4s attaining 5 Nat 5's, 38% of S5s attained 5 Highers and 65% 3 Highers.

The post result service for pupils and parent queries needs to be looked at and clarified as the Council policy needs to be adhered to.

The present staffing position has seen the recruitment of one new teacher to the PE Department and 2 to Social Subjects.

Mr MacKay welcomed the return of Mrs Wilkinson to the Senior Management Team. Dr Irvine will be leaving to take up a post in Shetland, Mrs Parkinson has left to start a new career. Mrs Black is on Maternity leave and Mr Pickavance is on long term sick leave.

The School Calendar is being updated for the session 2016/17.

Mr MacKay also spoke of continuing to challenge the pupils with wearing appropriate uniform and how the litter in the dining area has improved but still needs further work.

There are at present 878 pupils attending Dunblane High School.

6 Election Of Committee Members Linsay will be stepping down from her role as Chair as will Heather from the post of Secretary. Louise was happy to continue in her role as Teacher Representative. Nominations and seconds were taken for the following positions –

a Office Bearers Sandy Fleming (Chair), Linsay Goodfellow (Vice Chair), Lynne Ross (Treasurer), Vicky Sheridan (Secretary), Louise Scott (Teacher Rep), SPTC Member Chinny Iroegbu, Community and Fundraising Lorraine Thompson,

b Ordinary Committee Members – Mark Spencer-Bowles, Liz Fraser, Rhoda McCrae, Yvonna Johnstone.

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

Meetings during the winter months will commence at 7pm rather than 7.15pm.

Yvonna asked if information could be filtered to other parents regarding the role of the Parent Council with DHS. This will be clarified in the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on 24th October at 7pm and not 31st October which is in the diary.