



# GLASSFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Minutes of the Parent Council Meeting held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7.00pm

**Members present:** Gordon Innes (Chairman)  
Christine Hall (Secretary)  
Anne Anderson  
Janet Ballantyne

**In attendance:** Audrey Donnelly (Head Teacher)  
Rachel Goldie (Teaching staff)  
Rev Shaw Paterson  
Louise Caithness  
Clr Isobel Dorman

### 1. Welcome

Gordon welcomed everyone to the meeting

### 2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Les Hoggan, Pamela Buchanan, Lucy Williamson, Dawn Hamilton., Lee Rogers & Lynsey Fallow

### 3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Janet proposed, and Louise seconded the Minutes from the previous meeting.

### 4. Action from Previous Minutes

No business arising from the last Minutes

#### Actions

Kindle covers have been bought and the subscriptions will be organised very soon

### 5. Correspondence

Gordon responded to John Marshall regarding his request for the PC to support a potential expansion to the current housing development next to the School.

### 6. Chairpersons Report

There was nothing that wouldn't be discussed through the course of the meeting.

### 7. Fundraising Update

- We received £68.80 and £42.80 from two Ragbag collection and a further street collection is scheduled for 19<sup>th</sup> March.
- Reindeer Day - £76.40 (half of previous years income but this was due the position we were allocated)
- Christmas Fayre – approx. £1100. A fantastic effort by all PC, Teachers and from the wider parent forum. Thanks to all who helped, attended and bought raffle tickets

- Sainsburys Bag Packing - £274.54
- Donations from Coffee & Carols - £77.88

The bank balance is currently approx. £4100 (as at mid Dec 18)

A suggestion was made of holding a car wash/ coffee morning/ car boot sale perhaps in May and this will be discussed further at the March meeting

## **8. Head Teacher's Report**

- The School received a letter from Lisa Cameron MP congratulating us on funds raised at the Christmas Fayre.
- Audrey passed on her thanks and appreciation to the PC and other parents who continue to actively fundraise and help the School
- Plans for the Activity week are well in hand for the P6/P7s for 25-27 Feb at Lockerbie Manor. It was agreed that the PC would subsidise the bus transport as required.
- Snapshot jotters are being worked on this fortnight then will be sent home for review. Following this, Audrey indicated she would like to arrange another Parents Focus Group at the end of February.
- PEF (Pupil Equity Funding) will run out by the end of this session, this year's funds have primarily been spent on another teacher for 5 hours a week who has worked with the children who need some extra support. It is hoped this will continue next year but it is dependent on the level of funding we are awarded.
- Audrey has had a couple of meetings with Lovell developers to progress plans for involving the children in the work going on from a 'World of Work' point of view. Some aspects of the building work could be tied to the Curriculum then reinforced through a possible site visit. They have also agreed to provide some equipment for Loose Parts play.
- Health & Wellbeing – This term the School is focussing on Health and in particular, Healthy Eating. The Pupil Council came up with idea for Fruity Fridays and house points will be awarded to children who have fruit as their snack. Mrs Callison will also organise some healthy tasters in the dining hall to again encourage children to try different things.
- Strathaven Academys work has been continuing on the Values and Visions across the Learning Community. The next step is a joint PC Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> February (7-8pm) to which we are all invited. The tentative plan is to launch in May/ June. The Pupil Council are also due to visit within the next few weeks to discuss some more aspects.
- The Pupil Council along with the Teaching staff organised a foodbank collection for the Avon and Nethan Foodbank before Christmas. Thanks to all the children, parents and visitors as well as the wider community for their donations. There was a big collection uplifted by the Foodbank people and they were very appreciative of our efforts.
- The new Primary 1s are due to register in School this week.
- Between 8-13 pupils attending breakfast club daily and though it is still a pilot, it is hoped this will continue.
- Audrey plans to draw together a leaflet (with Annes design help) to give to Lovell Homes to promote the School to any possible purchasers.

## **9. Any Other Business**

- An email from Tesco has been received advising that they are ceasing provision of embroidered school uniforms. They recommend we move to MyClothing. Audrey will pass the details to Mrs Gilfillan to hopefully set up the new account with the logo etc.
- Grants – there are lots of grants available for a wide variety of purposes. Audrey agreed to draw up a wish list then Christine would review and see if there were possible grants we could apply for.
- Website Development – unfortunately this is taking a long time. The lady who was the point of contact has now moved to another post, but Miss Bailkoski has a meeting next week where she hopes to get the name of the High School IT teacher who has been tasked with the job and we may be able to approach him directly to find out the timescale.

## **10. Date & Time of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February 7-8pm at Strathaven Academy. All members of the Parent Council are encouraged to attend if possible.

The next meeting of Glassford Parent Council will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7pm within Glassford School.

Gordon then closed the meeting at 8.15pm with thanks to everyone for attending.