

Minutes of the Parent Council Meeting

held on Wednesday 1st March 2023 at 7.00pm

Members present:	Christine Hall (Secretary) Lee Rogers (Treasurer)
	Joanne Smith
	Laura Davidson
	Linzi Fallow
	Jennifer McEwan

In attendance: Audrey Donnelly (Head Teacher), Rev Shaw Paterson and Hollie Godfrey

1. Welcome

Christine welcomed everyone to the meeting, in the absence of Chairman Gordon.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Gordon Innes and Ashleigh Cranstoun,

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Lee proposed, and Linzi seconded the Minutes from the previous meeting.

4. Actions from Previous Minutes

- Christine has been still unsuccessful regarding arranging a bag packing slot at ASDA Larkhall.
- Christine applied to join the ERC Committee but is still awaiting interview
- The Burns Competition was moved from 28 February to 9 March because of strikes.
- Everything else will be dealt with during the course of the meeting

5. Correspondence

None received

6. Fundraising

- £48.80 from 02/02/23 and £57.20 from 28/2/23 ragbag collections and a street collection has been arranged for 15/5/23
- The Easter Assembly will be 30/3/23 followed by tea in the Hall. Christine will arrange volunteers for tea and for cakes.
- We decided to run a raffle Christine will pre print tickets and send home with children to try and boost sales (no obligation to buy) and each pupil will be asked if they are able to provide one food thing to make up hampers Christine will make up a list. Then the raffle will be drawn at the Tea.
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7. Headteachers Report

- The transition programme has started for P7's including visits from an Academy Maths teacher and sports clubs coming up. There is an extensive programme organized to allow the children to settle in the best they can.
- P6/P7 Anti- Racist topic is due to start, in conjunction with the Academy.
- There is a parents night at Sandford on 2nd March regarding the Residential stay for P6 and 7's. All the P6 and P7's are attending although a couple have chosen not to stay overnight.
- School parents night on 22nd March at Glassford more detail to follow re appointments
- The Moderation Activity will be completed next week, working with the other schools in the learning community.
- The Burns Competition is now 9/3/23 and Glassford have several children taking part including a P5 Ukranian girl reciting a poem in Scots which is an amazing achievement.
- Football festival has been arranged at W3st for those children wishing to attend
- Shaw has managed to recruit some knitting experts who are willing to lead a knitting club which will start after Easter.
- Whole school trip to Science Centre 9/3/23
- Possible netball sessions after Easter dependent on interest

7.1. Curriculum Rationale

Audrey circulated a draft version of the Curriculum Rationale and a full discussion was then had about what should and shouldn't be included. It was felt the 2019 date should have less focus and a suggestion was made that 'Acceptance' should be added to the list on page 5. Audrey will prepare a presentation board for Parents Night and it is hoped to encourage parents to study it and offer feedback and comments on it in the form of post it notes.

7.2. School Inspection

We expect a School Inspection is imminent within the next 12 months. In anticipation of this, we will continue to do what we do best and encourage parental engagement in all areas.

7.3. Repair to Trim Trail

Quotes have been sought for this via the School approved contractors list but so far no quotes have been received. This means the Trim Trail is out of bounds currently. Audrey will continue to chase quotes for repair. The Climbing Wall has been repaired.

8. Any Other Competent Business

- Christine still has the Christmas Fayre banner and will drop it off with Laura
- A question was asked regarding homework> Homework is provided for children who perhaps need some more support or time but generally it is felt that prescribed homework does not achieve the aims and that regular calm time spent reading if time permits would have much more benefit and this is actively encouraged.
- An application was made to the Community Council Micro Grant Scheme for financial assistance for the residential stay but this was rejected (because the fund had already been allocated as this is near the end of the financial year)

9. Date & Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Glassford Parent Council will be Tuesday 18th April 2023 at 7.00pm within Glassford School.

Christine then closed the meeting at 8.45pm with thanks to everyone for attending.

