

KINLOCHLEVEN HIGH SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 8TH JUNE 2017

PRESENT: Gordon Milne, Graeme Martin, Frances Dent, Eileen Blair, Carol MacKenzie, Dave Shepton, Thomas Janzen, Rebecca Machin, Katie Small, Fiona Borland, Stewart Borland

APOLOGIES: Tara Livornese

Minutes of 27th April 2017: Amendment: Frances Dent was in attendance of the previous meeting. Approved otherwise.

PTFF events: It was agreed that members would take the lead on each of the five events, with support from others.

Bingo: CM

Beatle Drive: TJ

Coffee Morning: ER

Quiz: IM

Pre 65's: KS (with Jenny)

Inservice Days have been changed to 18th and 19th September

Date of Beatle Drive: Wednesday 27th September, at Duror Hall, at 7pm

Fiona and Stewart were thanked for everything that they have achieved for the school.

DS will organise a wee gift (though they were previously thanked with a bigger gift last year)

Treasurer's Update: £9,300 at the start of May. Last year's accounting has proven a little tricky with Jill's absence but Frances is doing a great job pulling everything together. The signatories will be FD, DS and RM. The previous PTFF has been with Santander but this will change to Bank of Scotland as this is where the PC has their account.

Currently the 2008 Club's standing orders go to Santander. This to be sorted. The Fifty Club will be the new name, and the draw will be four times a year, at each fundraising event, except the Pre 65's. There will be an explanation to those who have opted in about this relaunch.

Head Teacher's Report: Staffing: The Chemistry position is filled. Nicola has started her new post. Sarah is doing 3 days per week with RM filling the other 2 days. Sarah has handed in her notice. 19th of June is the deadline for the Biology post with interviews asap and there has been interest.

HE: There has been no interest in this post. Currently only one college in Scotland offers this course. Katie Cockerall has agreed to 4 days per week and there will be a chef for .2 remainder of the post.

KHS was the only school not to chance to the asymmetrical week before the summer. There have been horror tales from other schools re the buses.

Gordon has put in a power of work on the timetable. RM has been nagging Stagecoach re timetable.

RM will remind parents about clothing grants and free school meals.

School Improvement Plan: This must be done to get Pupil Equality Fund.

There are issues around the tablets that are coming. There is money aside for some of this technology to come early to find glitches/get teachers used to them.

GM and Alan Morrison went to 306 Safe Scotland.

Kathy is retiring. Andy Heron is taking over in guidance.

Friday Afternoons: there will be several projects on offer: Room 13, John Muir Awards, Active Schools. This can all be afforded.

RM presented the trips and related costs. How do we get parents and pupils to understand the costs? Where do we get the money from when costs rise? RM suggested that this information should be shared with the Pupil Council.

Historically PTFP have put in £8,000

GM has been looking at improving communication between parents and school. Looking at Apps Central for eg updates on weather, events advertising. This will likely be set up for August.

AOCB

IM to bring Amy's letter from the Library to Dave.

Tuesday at 5.30pm there is to be a presentation to new S1. IM and GMA volunteered for this.

DS said that we were on the "shame list" for not drawing down money but we have done this as a PC.

Pupils are going to the Scottish Parliament to give a presentation. Pupils also involved with the Edinburgh Fringe.

Date of Next Meeting 24th August, 7pm. Library, KHS