

Kinlochleven High School Parent Council

Minutes of meeting held in Kinlochleven High School on 6th February 2012 at 8pm

Present – LY, MC, EB, JM, GM, SB, FD, GD, FB, AB, MH ,MM

Apologies – CC, KH, BG, AG, PM

Minutes from last meeting and matter arising –

Fujitsu – Ongoing changes being made, so no costs yet. Fujitsu has improved flexibility that the cost issue is not an issue now.

Hydro – Hopefully by the next meeting there will be more information.

Acting Head Teacher Report including HT & DH situation and other staffing –

Staffing – council agreed to advertise 3 ½ day week chemistry teacher – no response to Gordon still teaching. PE – Rona Yard doing this with support. She is a qualified teacher. Still no word on whether HT situation can be resolved. DHT – Helen returns tomorrow (good news for staffing) but she will not take up DHT position initially. Jill will continue. Although Norma Young promised DHT interviews – this can't happen as could cause more complications due to the Acting HT position. Gordon and Jill still teaching and Gordon wished it to be minuted that Jill did a marvellous job organising the prelims. Jill and Gordon are managing ok. It was reported that the children are aware of the teaching uncertainties – the staffing issues all come down to needing clarity re. Acting HT position.

New Curriculum Structure – Gordon spoke at length about the outline for the New Curriculum timetable for S3-S6. Structure given out was not confirmed but was probable. There will be 7 periods of 50 mins long. Parent Council were very pleased with the new outline – particularly for S2-S3. A meeting is being arranged for parents.

Drink and Drugs in school – a problem? – Gordon has assured us that no child has been caught in school under the influence of drink or drugs. The school bring the police into PSE lessons. If the school found either in school the police would be brought in. There can be no random testing but there would be testing of bottles if there were any suspicions. At discos there is a police presence. The school are vigilant.

School Meals – We were wondering if there was any way to improve uptake, at moment 30% take meals. Jill will take to pupil council to see if they have any ideas. Gordon did state that we were in line with other school.

School Uniform – Although the Tesco scheme seems good the school have a good stock of uniform items so it would not be a good idea to introduce a new system this year.

AOCB – A request has been made to put the agenda on the school website.

Correspondence – None

Date of Next Meeting – 27th March @ 8pm.