**Port Ellen Primary School Parent Council**

**Minutes**

**18th September 2017 6.30pm**

**Parent Chair Welcome**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Apologies**

Maggie Harrison, Kate Brown, Sally Campbell, Linda Kirkpatrick, Sarah MacMillan, Susan Hamilton

Looked at list of members and Bonnie to forward to Maureen as part of census collating details of parent council members.

**Minutes from last meeting**

The Chair read through the minutes of the last meeting. Nothing outstanding

Mary Swanson (Chair) proposed the minutes which where seconded by Katie Bonar.

**Fundraising**

**Laphroaig Stall**

The stall was a success with funds raised for Parent Council. The treasurer was not in attendance to confirm the total raised.

**Recipe Book**

Agreed to have the recipe book finalised and ordered by October half term.

Outstanding pupils to be chased up along with local businesses by members of the parent council. Noted that there were no vegetarian mains so these should be pushed from outstanding recipe providers.

**Scrapstore Plan of Action**

The scrapstore has been constructed and is looking fantastic. It still needs to be painted.

ACHA have given a grant of £1700 of which £700 is for Port Ellen Primary, £1000 for Bowmore.

Mary to ask Gordon Currie for an invoice for the concrete pad.

Also need to purchase paint and brushes for the shed from Buildbase. Marine Ply and exterior Blackboard paint also to be purchased from the parent council account.

Katie to speak to Lachie to ask Angus Bell to build a frame for fish boxes as a storage unit. Also to speak to Sally Campbell about purchasing cuprinol/wood stain.

**Indoor Improvements**

The toilets have had a partition wall put up. They are however too dark and emergency lighting will be installed in the October holidays along with an extractor fan***.*** Behind will have two cubicles, sinks and a baby changing area. Contractors will install a partition wall in the nursery to allow them to continue to work on the entrance for parents and door to the outside, a safe bubble outside. The flow of children through the current pre-5 outdoor garden will change considerably and the entrance of main primary pupils will need to be carefully thought through. It is hoped that all these works will be completed by Christmas.

The idea of a parent workforce to make garden improvements was suggested but it was agreed that it would be best to wait until after the works had taken place outside before making any improvements. Hopefully this can be raised again in the new year for works in the spring.

**AOCB**

There was no further business to discuss.