Grange Primary Parent Council

Meeting on 26 August 2014 at 5.30pm, Grange Primary School, Monifieth

# MINUTE

Present: Graham Rodger (Chair) (GR), Claire Rough (CR),

In attendance: Lorraine Will (LW), Louise Robertson (LR)

1. Apologies

Andrew Bailey (AB), Pamela Cobb (PC), Lynsey Benson (LB), Kerry Perry (KP),

Pippa Landsburgh (PL), Mike Hendry (MH)

1. Minutes of Meeting of 3rd June 2014

Agreed

1. Matters arising from meeting of 3rd June 2014
2. **School Website** –School website is in final stages and will hopefully go live on Meet the Teacher night. The upper school IT group (Woo Hoo Wednesday) could manage the website and decide what content should go on it.
3. **Internet Safety Meeting –** This is on the cluster school agenda for 27th August.
4. **New Time For Meeting –** Discuss a possible change of time and day of future meetings at the AGM. Also set dates for all 2014/2015 meetings at the AGM.

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1. Action Plan for 2014/2015

i. **Outside Space Development (inc Willow Dome) –** A mixed group of staff, children and parents are going to be asked to form a group to decide on the best use of the outside space. It was decided that Grange Gabbers, rather than PC members, be involved (due to PC taking on the large task of Reports) and updates are to be fed back to PC at future meetings.

ii. **Reports –** What do parents want to be included in the report and when and how do they want it produced? Statutory requirements of what needs to be included will come out to schools in September, once that is known then an Action Plan can be produced to progress the issue. Some suggestions so far have been to have an evening for parents to attend (possibly a Cheese and Wine Evening as this may promote a larger turnout) and give out letters before the evening of what items are to be discussed, then form smaller groups on the evening to discuss further.

A rough time line would be

October meeting – Set Action Plan

November meeting – Hold evening /meeting for Parents

January – Collate and analyse information from the evening

February – Options to be put out and voted on.

5 Financial Matters

The question of do we need a Treasurer and/or a Treasurer bank account was raised again. LR to look into and report back at next meeting.

6 AOCB

1. AGM poster to be produced and displayed in both school notice boards. LR
2. The topic of Religion within the school was raised and discussed on a social network site recently. LW has spoken to the individual who raised this and has stressed that if any parent has a concern regarding a school issue that they come to her directly.
3. The bike shed has been getting used a lot, with the result that it can be crowded and congested at busy times, it was suggested that both gates be opened to help ease this. LW to arrange.
4. The issue of road safety outside the school has been an ongoing issue for some time, at present there are no double yellow lines between the entrance and exit gates of the school car park. The cars which park there cause extra traffic problems for road crossers and other road users. It was suggested that Angus Council be contacted regarding yellow lines being put there. New Chairperson to take on this issue.
5. It has been raised that P7’s have been hanging around the Grange Road entrance to school in the mornings waiting for their friends. Unfortunately this has caused problems for the Lollipop lady as there is not enough space for people after crossing over the road. LW to deal with.
6. A Sexual Awareness booklet was given to pupils before the Summer holidays from the NHS, and the content was quite graphic. Some parents have complained that they would have preferred the booklet to be put in an envelope so parents could read it first and then discuss it with their child/children. LW explained that the booklets were brought in and distributed to classes without the office being aware of their content and that it would need to be taken up with the NHS.
7. The issue of children being offered vegetables at school dinners was raised and LW confirmed that the staff are offering the children them. It was suggested that they be routinely put on the children’s plates rather than them being offered - this would need to be taken up with Tayside Contracts. CR to look into.

7 Date of Next Meeting

The AGM will be held at the school on 23rd September 2014 at 7pm

The next meeting will be on the 28th October 2014 – location and time to be confirmed.