

Woodlands Primary School Parent Council AGM Minutes

Tuesday 27th April 2021 @ 7pm – Microsoft teams.

1. Welcome from Chair

Welcome by the Chair Kim Thorne and introductions.

2. Present & Apologies

- Kim Thorne (KT) Chair
- Niona Soutar (NS) Vice-chair
- Louise Kelly (LK) Treasurer
- Jenny Grant (JG) Secretary
- Suzanne Smith (SS) Principal
- Judith Connor (JC) Vice Principal
- Bea Finlayson (BF)
- Laura Ferguson (LF)
- Steph Mann (SM)
- Audrey Gregory (AG)

Apologies from Sophie Thompson (ST)

3. Minutes from previous AGM

There was no formal AGM in 2020 due to Covid restrictions and lockdown. An informal AGM was held as part of the meeting on 1st June 2020 and the minutes were approved.

4. Chair's Review of the year

Kim Thorne (Chair) covered the activities undertaken by Parent Council in the last year. The last year has been heavily affected by Covid restrictions. The planned p7 film night fundraiser was cancelled. As was the Spring disco.

Parent Council have successfully moved the meetings onto Teams and really appreciate everyone continuing to attend. Teams meetings are likely to continue for the next term anyway as Angus Council is not accepting any lets (bookings) for rooms at the school. Need to plan in August at the first meeting what we are able to do for 2021-22.

After discussion at parent council in August, this year the focus was on raising funds for the 20 Chromebooks to assist with the Schools STEM work. A go fund me account was set up and a number of different activities have taken place to raise the funds:

- Bea has been running half marathons every month
- Grants have been received from Persimmons homes and Northwood Charitable Trust.

- Sweetie cones at Halloween and Christmas
- Face masks and Christmas stockings
- Easter raffle
- Joke books

The original target was £3826. £2000 was received from the two grants, 1 chrome book paid for by a parent, £1452.55 from go fund me already transferred to school and £314 remaining in the Gofundme account. Giving a grand total of £3957.85. This is enough for the school to purchase 20 Chromebooks.

Parent Council has raised £200 for the p7s prior to Covid and this was put towards their BBQ.

The other (non-fundraising) activity was the book bundles. Every child in the school and nursery received a wrapped book bundle (approx. 5 books) to keep. They were very well received by the children.

Well done for everyone's contributions. Parent Council should be very proud of all the fundraising carried out over the year.

The School is very grateful for the support provided by parent council.

5. Treasurer's Report by Louise Kelly

March 2020 – April 2021

Opening balance at 31/03/2020	£1794.09
Total expenses (p7 BBQ, fabric and stockings)	£288.80
Closing balance at 31/03/2021	£1505.29

Waiting for the auditor to sign off the accounts.

6. Resignations

Niona Souter is standing down after 9 years on parent council. She has been a much valued part of PC and very many thanks for her time and all the efforts over the years. She will continue to be involved in some things through her role in School.

SS – Thanks to NS on behalf of the school.

7. Vacant Positions

The vacant positions are:

- Vice- Chair

The role can be as big or small as is needed and doesn't automatically mean that the Vice takes over as chair, only to cover if the chair cannot attend. AG may be interested and will have a conversation with KT.

KT is committed to finding replacement chair, vice-chair and secretary prior to standing down.

Kim Thorne remains as Chair, Louise Kelly as Treasurer and Jenny Grant as Secretary.

8. AOB

None.

Close of AGM