

MINUTE OF MEETING OF BRYDEKIRK PRIMARY PARENT FORUM HELD ON 1st OCTOBER 2014 AT 7.15 PM

Present:

Members of

Parent Council: Mr McBain, Mrs Clark, Mrs Farrall, Mrs Nicholson Mr Rawcliffe,
Mr Simpson and Mr Wilson

Parents: Mrs Little

In attendance: Mrs Turnbull and Mrs Robson

Apologies: Mr Archibald, Mrs Barnes and Mrs Hunter

Mr McBain welcomed Mrs Little to the meeting and thanked her for coming along. He introduced members of the Parent Council. The purpose of holding the AGM is to report back to parents on the activities of the Parent Council over the past year.

1 MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of the AGM held on 2nd October 2013 was approved as a true record. Proposed by Mr McBain and seconded by Mr Simpson.

2 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- The Parent Council has met four times over the past year and held one AGM. The Constitution was changed from a maximum of 9 members to 15 members.
- Pupil activity – last session the roll was 35 pupils and in July one pupil from P6 left and six from P7. In August five new P1s and one P4 joined the school, roll being 34 pupils.
- Staff changes – 2 members of staff left in July.
- School Inspection - in December 2013 the school was inspected by HMI. This went very well with many positive outcomes. Pupils are learning and achieving with a positive confident attitude. They are learning in groups and benefit from the many excursions arranged by the school. Pupils receive strong support from staff and benefit from the use of information technology. There was some feedback from parents and the school has addressed these points.
- Cluster Working Review – still ongoing and Mr McBain will contact Mr Grant for any up to date information on this review.
- Fund raising - this is, in the main, carried out by the PFA Committee. However the school organised a number of non-uniform days and this raised £79.00. They also organised the iCoffee afternoons and this raised £57.00.

- Building Repairs – Property Services are investigating the ownership of the garage in the playground. It is hoped that this will be demolished in time.

3 TREASURER'S REPORT

Accounts for the year 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014 have been audited and an Auditor appointed for the following financial year. Total income was £774.75 and expenditure £617.56, which included a donation of £300 to the school.

4 ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Changes to Staffing in School – two members of staff left in July. The Classroom Assistant post has been filled. The Support for Learning Assistant post has been filled but the hours per week have been cut from 16 to 8. This is very worrying and complaints have been received from parents. Mrs Turnbull asked the Parent Council to write to the Manager in charge of Support for Learning to address this problem.

The meeting closed at 8.20 pm.