

## Kilmarnock Academy Parent Council AGM 30/08/2016

### 1. Welcome to all.

Present; Kevin Handling (chairperson), Elaine Kennedy, Jane Holt, Sharon Taylor, Michelle Taylor, Sharon Govan, Susan McCreadie (treasurer), Andrea Mossie (DHT), David Rose (HT), Councillor Mc Kay and Avis Denim

Apologies; Deridre Robertson (resigned)

### 2. Sharon Govan was elected on to the Council, nominated by Sharon Taylor and seconded by Susan McCreadie

All other positions remain unchanged.

It was agreed by the committee that there would be a roving minute taker, Jane Holt recording business tonight.

### 3. New Build Update

Concerns were raised again by the parent council that the move in date for the new school merge is unsuitable academically and that both schools have concerns about this.

**Action- The parent council asked Councillor McKay to raise these concerns at Cabinet level and to ask for a financial re negotiation of the date.**

John Swinney is laying the foundation stone on the William McIlvanney Campus 12/10/2016.

David Rose is attending build updates and confirmed inter school departmental discussions are taking place regarding the merge and that the pupil voice will be considering uniform/ school values etc.

### 4. The advert for the merged School Head Teacher should be going to advert before the end of September with the aim of taking up post in January 2017.

### 5. Report from Head Teacher- included staffing, no

home economics teacher, resignation of campus cop with interviews planned and school nurse is off long term but back fill is in place.

S1 intake have settled in well and are doing well.

There are some specific nights for parents planned for example parents of children doing five higher.

There was a presentation of academic results which showed year on year progress in attainment.

From 30/06/2016 the Scottish Government announced that all the secondary schools in East Ayrshire would be part of the Scottish Attainment Challenge, this comes with additional funding to close the attainment gap.

6. The Parent Council is delighted with the school's academic achievements of S4-S6 and thank the teachers and congratulate the pupils for their endeavour.

7. DONM 27/09/2016- KA school council meeting @7pm

DONM 26/10/2016- Joint KA and JH meeting at London Road

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