

## St Joseph's Academy Parent Council

### Minutes of Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020

#### Attendance

Parents	
Jim Campbell (Chair)	
Julie Batchelor	
Deborah Boyd	Apology
Pamela Chigbo	
Sharon Christie	
Lesley Cuthbertson	
Gavin Duffy	
Mairi Gribben	
Shirley Harkness	Apology
Martin Hopkins	Apology
Jackie Livingstone	
Catriona McCrindle	
Kate McLean	Apology
Paul McLoughlin	
Fiona Rosa	Apology
Anne Queen	Apology
Douglas Thomson	Apology
Grace Walker	
Staff	
Joseph Kane (HT)	
Church Representative	
Frances McCann	
Councillors	
Maureen McKay	Apology
Fiona Campbell	Apology

#### Welcome and Opening Prayer

Jim Campbell welcomed everyone to the meeting and led the opening prayer.

#### New Horizons Service

Gillian Bickerstaff from the New Horizons service presented on the services that are being provided to pupils at the school, details of which are captured in the attached presentation.

#### Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes passed as accurate.

## **Head Teacher Report**

See <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/ea/stjosephsacademy/parents/parent-council/minutes-of-meetings/> for full details

## **Transformational Review of Specialist Provision**

There has been no update on this since the last meeting. A meeting has been arranged by the Head of Education on 11<sup>th</sup> March for the HTs of affected schools to advise on next steps. In addition, a further detailed paper (or papers) will be submitted to Cabinet for approval prior to any formal consultation.

## **Treasurer's Report**

We are currently between treasurers. Lesley and Mairi are in the process of arranging handover and setting up new signatories.

## **Correspondence**

No correspondence received.

## **AOCB**

A query was raised around the provision of iPads for the S1 cohort. Mr Kane advised that the intention had been to distribute iPads to S1 pupils in October, however there are insufficient numbers to provide all S1 pupils with an iPad, and therefore the provision of iPads will be discontinued.

The school is continuing to develop its digital strategy and has made a request to make use of Google Classroom to East Ayrshire which is yet to be approved / implemented.

Study leave for senior phase pupils will begin on 27<sup>th</sup> April.

## **Next Meeting**

Monday 27 April 2020 at 7pm.

## **Closing Prayer**

Jim Campbell led the closing prayer.

## **Dates of further meetings:**

Monday 8 June 2020