

## St Joseph's Academy Parent Council

### Minutes of Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020

#### Attendance

Parents	
Jim Campbell (Chair)	
Julie Batchelor	
Anne Queen	
Mairi Gribben	
Shirley Harkness	
Jackie Livingstone	
Kate McLean	
Douglas Thomson	
Fiona Rosa	
Grace Walker	
Paul McLaughlin	
Catriona McCrindle	
Gavin Duffy	
Francis McCann	
Deborah Boyd	
Lesley Cuthbertson	
Staff	
Joseph Kane (HT)	
Councillors	
Maureen McKay	Apology

**Meeting conducted via Zoom call, as a result there will be limitations to the detail of what can be discussed, particularly relating to personal data relating to staff, pupils, parents & council officials.**

#### PCSG

Jackie Livingston provided an update from the PSG in relation to the addition work being generated as a result of COVID-19.

- 8 work streams in place – information from these workstreams will be feedback as it is received
- Surveys for parents to complete will be issued in due course
- £30M government funding being made available for additional resources within the education establishments to aid the preparations and additional work required as a result of COVID-19

#### Parent Council Business

## **Welcome and Opening Prayer**

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

## **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Amendment required;

- in terms of the point on prelims, the question was whether estimates were **only** based on prelims, and the answer was no. However, the minute reads as if prelim grades were not part of the evidence used to determine estimates, and they were which I think I made clear at the meeting.
- Amend previous minutes accordingly

**Action: DT**

## **Head Teacher Report**

Document was due to be circulated last night on the proposals for the return to school model in August 2020. Authority wants all schools to issue models together as a result there will be a delay in issuing this to the Parent council.

Mr Kane clarified the point raised around school capacity and how this would be managed given the government directive on reduced capacity.

Mr Kane guided us through the document received.

Parents asked to make school aware of any pupils who may have concerns or are anxious about returning to school under the current circumstances.

Further clarification on groups using certain entrances will follow in due course.

SQA

Huge amount of work put in by all staff members to submit proposals to the SQA for the S4-S6 assessments.

Special Thanks to Miss Quigley for all her efforts.

Only a small amount of the proposals submitted by the teaching staff were scrutinised by Mr Kane and Miss Quigley.

SQA will issue clarity on the appeals process by Friday of this week (19/06/2020).

## **Treasurer's Report**

No change since last meeting.

## **Correspondence**

No correspondence received.

**AOCB**

Jim Campbell expressed his thanks to Lesley Cuthbertson for her contribution to the Parent Council over the years.

**Closing Prayer**

JC led the closing prayer.

**Dates of forthcoming meetings:**

**Extraordinary meeting arranged for 22<sup>nd</sup> June to review the full document relating to the return to school in August 2020. This will be the only item on the agenda for this meeting.**

Dates for meetings in 2020/21 will be issued in due course.