

WILLIAMWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

PARENT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING - DRAFT

Monday 16th November 2015

Present : Abid Mohammed Steve Galloway
 Melanie Whyte (Vice-chair) Cress Maher
 Cllr Mary Montague Bobby Caldwell (Chair)

In Attendance:

Willie Inglis (HT), Sarah McLuskie (Head Girl), Cameron Angus (Head Boy)

1&2 Introduction & Apologies

Apologies received from - Karen Hussain, Corinne Durand, Ailsa Crum, Pramurta Majumdar, Roddy Wilson, Cllr Alan Lafferty, Cllr Ralph Robertson

3 Minutes of and points arising from the previous meeting

No points arising not covered elsewhere - August minutes approved subject to minor amendments.

4 Headteacher's Report & Staff Report – Willie Inglis

WI ran through a number of the events that have taken place recently -

About the houses exhibition at various locations. Collaboration between Housing and AH pupils from A&D plus SS and included a film of elderly residents reminiscing

YPI - 6 week block in S5 PSHE. Finalists presented at S3 assembly. Panel chose winner (chaplain, year head and YPI) = £3k for East Renfrewshire Good Causes

Pupil Conference - pupil council, all form captains, plus any volunteers as delegates. Each table led by 2x S6 prefects. Discussed issues chosen in PSHE classes, ranked in order of importance and impact, chose 3 they wished to take forward. Now back to all pupils to vote.

STEM Fair - D Sudding organised (video on website). Contributions from Science Centre, universities, industry... and our BICT, Science, DAT and maths departments. P6-S2.

Careers Fair for S2, S4, S5, S6 - employers, universities, colleges, real people real jobs and real students real courses.

Adam Nimmo and Jessica Gaff visited Auschwitz for two days as part of the Holocaust Education Trust's Lessons from Auschwitz programme. They will now organise events and assemblies to share their experiences. Ref last year's event.

Halloween Disco

Dyslexia Awareness Week - video on website

Young Singer. Senior winner Jamie McQueen (S6) + Nicholas Mayer (S6). Junior winner Elena Guevare Rose + Shay O'Dowd. Rising Star Cameron Black. All S1. CD available £5

S1/S2 Masterchef competition. Stanley Hay (S2)

National 5 study information evening. Attended by over 180 parents. Well evaluated. Higher study information evening 8 December.

WW1 commemoration evening - Erskine, veterans organisations, chaplaincy team plus IDL covering all departments. Displays from all departments, music, drama, art (including primary) + displays of regalia by veterans organisations, bunker and screenprinting and bookbinding activities.

DofE Awards Ceremony - 180 pupils received awards in presence of parents.

Malawi Fashion Show raised £1800

Anti bullying week - Laura Harkins + WHS's ABC (anti-bullying committee). Produced video used at assemblies plus PSHE lessons.

5 Joint Project with Pupil Council - KH & BC

See separate note of meeting on 29th October. Next meeting on 26th November.

6 AOCB

i) Williamwood HS 10th Anniversary

- WHS new building is 10 years old in Aug 2016 - how can the PC help commemorate this milestone?
- various suggestions
 - 10th Anniv badge / mug / usb stick inc software?
 - free or sell?
 - profits to Malawi?
 - ask Pupil Council?
- concert?
- how old is WHS?

ii) Report from Equalities Forum

- Standard & Quality Report - plan? - 4 key metrics?
- WHS Equality Officer - DHT Ian Fisher

See note of meeting of 17th September.

- ### iii) Flying Start Update -
- a) Careers Night - FS sign-up - figs?
 - b) Marc Falconer workshops
 - c) Interviews - feedback?
 - d) vets & dentists on FS list?
 - e) Barclays Lifeskills

- ### iv) Parent Council Grant - focus on 10th Anniv - then something else?

Dates of future meetings:

11th January 2016
29th February 2016
25th April 2016
6th June 2016