**Parent Council Minutes**

**Date:** 9/10/23

**Present:** Fiona Johnston, Nikki Winning (Chairperson), Katharine Foye, Lorraine More, Michelle Stewart,Mary Turbun, Michelle Hyslop, Gill Van Looy, Rebecca Murray, Soroush Uthmani, Matthew Pholer, Louise McIntosh

**Apologies:** Lorna Thomson, Nuzhat Uthmani (Treasurer), David Frame (Vice Chariperson), Nicola Pennycook

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|  | **Notes of discussion** | **Action points** |
| **1. Previous minutes** |
| **Minutes**: Proposed by Michelle Stewart. Seconded by Kathryn Foye  |
| **2. Parent Chair Report** |
| Chris Rose applying for funding and will use PC account.N. Winning shared Connect email to PC.  |  |
| 3. **Treasurer** **report** |
| No change |  |
| **4. S6 Leadership Update**  |  |
| TripsWe will continue to ensure we get it right for all families:* Day trips including Panto at Christmas and summer trips.
* We can only use 3 providers for residential in UK. We have requested quotes.
* Quote for Paris in the summer to be shared.
* Ski trip for March 2025 emailed to allow parents time to spread payments.

Learning and Teaching * Learners in S2 and S3 had the opportunity to work with Strathclyde University to choose a research question and consider research methods. Learners are currently working with teachers to drive forward improvements including reviewing home learning, transitions from P7 and wellbeing approaches.
* We have invited all young people to train as Learning Ambassadors to support with lesson observations, further enquiries and to present to staff.
* Curriculum Ambassadors are working with faculties to review the S1 and S2 curriculum and to share their ideas for partners, outdoor learning, leadership and learning and teaching activities.
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| **5. Head Teacher update**  |
| HT provided an update on Insight data published. * Barrhead High learners continue to raise the bar. Families were thanked for their support.
* We continue to maintain 100% positive destinations.
* Improvement priorities shared for final year of 3 year plan.

Education Scotland visit discussed. * Parent Council members will participate in focus groups.
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| **7. Future workshops** |
| * G. Van Looy shared Wellbeing Evening format on 30th November 5.30-7pm.
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| **8. AOB** |  |  |
| Christmas hamper discussed for raffle for Christmas Fayre. Discussion on school uniform. Parent Council continue to support uniform policy.Next meeting on 20th November- update on Education Scotland visit and diversity input.  |