

Cross Arthurlie Parent Community Minutes Tuesday 1st February 2022

Present: Elaine Aitchison (Chair), Caroline Foy (Fundraising), Elizabeth Thompson (Treasury), Fiona MacDonald (HT), Gillian Rice (DHT), Helen Easdon, Lora Johnstone, Kirsten Fairlie, Julie Elliot, Angela Ritchie, Cheryl Cumming, Lorna Deveney, Eilidh Waddell, Seonaidh Keir, Debbie Thomson, Angela Ritchie, J's iPhone?

Apologies: Susan Hoppe (Vice Chair), Colette Byars (Fundraising), Lorna Thomson, Marion Cunningham (Secretary)

Minutes	Action
<p><u>Minutes from previous meeting – 01/02/22</u> Minutes approved</p> <p><u>Chairs Report</u> Everyone welcomed.</p> <p>Next AGM 7th June. Every June from now on. Treasurer queried timescales for closing accounts to allow time to prepare for AGM. Advised to close whenever needs be to fit around time taken to audit.</p> <p>Elaine & Caroline successfully secured £1000 funding from Barrhead Housing Association (BHA) - £1000 to be used to provide Paediatric First aid classes to 10% of pupils and subsidise 60 places for adults in the community. Benefits everyone and builds life skills. Further updates re rolling out training covered in AOCB.</p> <p>£1000 cheque with school office, will be banked ASAP before accounts are balanced ahead of AGM.</p> <p>Plan to liaise with National Lottery re applying for further funds to be able to offer First Training to whole school & for further life skill programmes / Mindfulness & Wellbeing Programme. Further discussions to take place with Mrs MacDonald & Chair.</p> <p>Back to School Bank – provide all or individual essentials for child to attend school. Referrals to be made via school. This facility is offered by ERC. Chair will post on social media & liaise with Mrs MacDonald to spread the word to XA families.</p> <p>Connect is running courses – 8pm tonight – sign up online (Connect Website). Recommend everyone have a look.</p>	<p></p> <p></p> <p></p> <p>Fiona MacDonald / Elizabeth Thompson</p> <p>Chair - Elaine</p> <p>Chair - Elaine</p> <p>Individual preference</p>

Treasurers Report

£3243.92 at present. Christmas & Easter Fundraising funds now received.

£850 contribution to P7 Leavers & pending individual class trips are expected expenditure.

Fundraising Update

Easter Raffle raised £279.

Planned Fundraising includes:

Lucky Number (online – w/e 14 May)

Summer Fayre (online poll posted 02/05 to gauge interest & best day of the week)

Upcoming Events to be organised include School Disco(s) at present.

Jenna Coyne will stand in as Co-ordinator along with Caroline until AGM next month, due to Colettes other commitments.

Appeal for more Parent Helpers to get in touch.

Head Teacher Report

Staff changes – Mrs Shearman has remained in post providing well needed & received emotional support & nurturing to pupils.

Miss Glass (newly qualified placement) is due to be replaced with another newly qualified teacher in August – name TBC.

Miss Watson is on maternity leave. Mrs Tianfield providing cover.

Miss Adams is now Mrs Moore.

Next terms Classes/Teachers to be decided.

Budgetary saving this year (2022/2023) £42,000 compared with £23,000 last year.

PEF funding = £76,000, mainly used for Staffing. PEF funding not confirmed for next term.

Clothing grant – benefits family & also school as PEF funding takes into consideration the number of pupils receiving free school meals & also clothing grants. Mrs MacDonald intends to share information re clothing grant to raise awareness.

Mrs MacDonald

Easing of restrictions – updates circulated to Parents/Carers 03/05. Current Health Board guidance is to treat COVID like any other virus in respect of keeping pupils off school (if no temperature & well enough to attend, they can).

Upcoming events including, Open Day (01/06), Sports Day (17/06), School Show (now 15/06) & P1 Parent Visits, will see Parents/Carers being welcomed back into school environment.

Parent Evenings – next will be in new term. HT invited feedback re format in future (maintain telephone consultations, offer face to face, offer either or) Feedback from PC was mixed. TBC

AOCB

P7 Leavers update given by Cheryl Cumming re costs, fundraising already carried out (£924 raised), £40 worth of crisps/chocolate/drinks donated from Co-Op. PC contribution of £850 will be paid to school & can be accessed as & when required.

Nursery P.C update given by Helen Easdon (Chair). Kirsten Fairlie – Treasurer & Victoria McGovern – Secretary.

£168 raised through first fundraising event – Raffle. Money will be contributed towards Nursery Leaver's party in Nursery. Funds will be paid into 'Nursery Toy Fund' & can be accessed via school office.

First Aid Training update provided by Chair. Delivery of training still in planning stages. Chair encouraged as many P.C members to apply for training when made available to assist with any unfortunate incidents during P.C events, i.e school discos.

Banking issues lately as policy means that banking has to be done with specific company & no branches are local. HT agreed that any non urgent money funds can be stored in school safe (after being counted & witnessed). These will be uplifted by approved security company & banked on behalf of Treasurer.

Julie Elliot & Cheryl Cummings thanked for their contribution over the years to P.C & appreciation gift will be organised & delivered to them as a thank you.

Format of future PC meeting discussed. Benefits of virtual & face to face recognised. Mrs MacDonald highlighted that Barrhead High School was formally used for face to face meetings as there is no charge however if participants wished to dial in (hybrid

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attendance approach) then Zoom could not be used as it is ERC policy not to use Zoom on Council wifi. MS Teams may be an option.

Frequency of Meetings also discussed & sticking to 5 times a year was generally welcomed although mid-Feb may be best instead of first Tuesday in Feb to reduce time between next meeting because of Easter break.

If anyone wishes to be considered for any Office Bearers roles next year their interest must be made via the school in writing by the end of May; at least 1 week ahead of AGM on 07/06. Elaine offered to discuss roles/responsibilities with anyone interested in any of these roles.

Next meeting will be Tuesday 7th June 7pm