MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL
Tuesday 10th June 2025
in EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

PRESENT: Adele Thomson, John Anderson, Natalie McMillan, Wendy Durie, Jacqui White, Denny Henderson, Sidra Hasan, Kari Gillies, Ameer Din

IN ATTENDANCE: Kate Sinclair (HT), Chris Morris (Depute)
Shona McWilliam (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Nick Bothwell, Murray MacLeod, Cathy Wilkie-Thompson, Umair Khan, Glen Cartwright, Vicky Clark, Nilam Ijaz, Laura Strachan, Jenny McDonald, Adam Tomkins, Binod Singh

1.   INTRODUCTION

Adele welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologises were noted. Resignations were noted and are as follows: - Katy Berry, Karen McGrady-Parker, Cathy Wilkie-Thompson, Glen Cartwright, Vicky Clark, Adam Tomkins.

2.   APPROVAL OF MINUTES (1st April 2025)

Minutes were approved and will be added to the school's website.

3.   MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Parent Chairs meeting – 'A place to grow' scheme.
Parental Engagement Survey – PVG new guidelines, not so relevant for high schools. More for the primaries eg parent helpers at discos.
Carolside online digital evening
Adele will send out all slides etc from the chair's meeting.

4.   CORRESPONDANCE

Kate sent out information on S6 leadership team and the selection process. She is looking for parental involvement for our assessment centre. Natalie offered her services and would be happy to come in and be on the Panel. The start of the selection process will take place on Friday afternoon.

5.   AGM

Chair – confirmed and seconded would remain for another year
Vice Chair – confirmed and seconded to remain in place

PTA – The PTA thanks to Denny, Laura and their helpers have raised over £2,300 for the school. The Head Teacher is looking to raise funds for ICT equipment - a chrome book charging trolley. Due to our increasing roll and the popularity of pupils selecting Computing etc we require more charging units.
Denny mentioned that Easy Funding is a good way to raise money as well as receiving discounts. Idea would be to create a visual display at the school office so that parents can see how much we have raised each week/month.

6.   HEAD TEACHER UPDATE

-     SQA exams – successfully completed and Kate commends our pupils for their exemplary behaviour.
-     PTA – resuscitation event. Great success.

- Osiris Teacher CLPL - 10 volunteer teachers took part. They were filmed and feedback was given. This had a significant, positive impact and was highly evaluated.
- S6 leavers – Leavers event/Graduation/Prom – Kate is very proud of all our senior pupils.
- Trips – so many in the last few months – Barcelona/Cern/Paris & New York
- Change of Timetable – thanks to Chris Morris who puts in a huge amount of work in all ran smoothly on the 2nd June.
- YPI - our S2 (new S3) were involved in this, led by the RMPS department.
- Sports Awards – 200 pupils involved
- P7 induction/Information evening – always a great success and heavily attended
- House Winners – Capelrig – their reward day event will be on Monday.
- School Summer show – another successful evening full of our talented young pupils.
- S6 Leadership Team – will take place next week.

Staffing Update – Kate ran through all the teachers who will be retiring, new teachers who will be joining us from August including our NQTs and the forthcoming interviews which will run right up to the last day of term.

Kate is still to finalise the school calendar, which will include parents evening etc and will be issued shortly.

7. **AOCB**

School will close on Wednesday 25th June at 1pm for pupils.

Result day will be on Tuesday 5th August with renegotiation day on Thursday 7th August.

Kari asked about our Demerit process which has been in the process of being updated. Kate said that due to Ross Williams moving to Woodfarm on an Acting PT post till March 26 she will update us once the new teacher takes over and continues updates the process.

Next Meeting: September 2025 (date tbc)
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