

Minutes of Isobel Mair Parent Council

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 28th August 2013

Present :-

Graham Campbell -Chairperson
Gael Gordon - Vice Chairperson
Alvar Kenwell - Treasurer
Lynne Stoll - Fundraiser
Mari Wallace - Head Teacher
Julia Haugh Reid - Principal Teacher
Sue Laurie - Class Teacher
Christine Sim - Secretary

Parent Members

Heather Robertson
Margaret Murray
Libby Murphy
Angela Mason
Joanne McAlpine
Pamela McDaid
Marie Withers
Shona Cherry
Chris McMullen
Paul Brooks
Felicia Agudosy

Apologies

Sarah Black

Chairperson's Report

- Graham Campbell opened the meeting by welcoming all and asked everyone to introduce themselves to any new parents attending.

Election of Office Bearers

- Graham Campbell remained as Chairperson - Proposed by Joanne McAlpine, seconded by Lynne Stoll.
- Gael Gordon remained as Vice Chairperson - Proposed by Graham Campbell, seconded by Lynne Stoll.
- Alvar Kenwell remained as Treasurer - Proposed by Graham Campbell, seconded by Margaret Murray.
- Lynne Stoll remained as Fundraiser - Proposed by Joanne McAlpine, seconded by Angela Mason.

Treasurer's Report

- Alvar Kenwell gave his report on outgoings. In total, £11,657 was paid out last session. Graham commented that the Ceilidh and the Christmas Fair are coming up which should help boost funds.
- Each year, the Parent Council give the school money for Environmental Studies which is distributed to the classes. Alvar asked if Julia Haugh Reid could explain what the money is used for. Julia explained that it helps to fund outdoor experiences for the children and helps them buy other things which they may not normally have.
- Graham asked if the Selection Boxes given to the children at Christmas, which are funded by the Parent Council, were necessary. Mari Wallace, Head Teacher, explained that these are given to the children from Santa Clause. The Parent Council agreed to carry on funding these.

Graham invited Sue Laurie, Class Teacher, to speak to the Parent Council with regard to some equipment she would like them to fund. The Company is called Green Circle Garden and Sue fully explained the system which costs over £2,400. Graham said that he thought it was a good idea but would like to see the system first before buying. Alvar said that he would be happy to go and see it with Sue. This will be arranged.

Head Teacher's Report

- Mari Wallace explained that parents had been lettered before the holidays for ideas for the Local Improvement Plan. Some replies mentioned using the Hydrotherapy Pool at the weekends. This was discussed at length. Mari asked if Heather Robertson who runs the Warriors Club could look into this on behalf of the school and parents to find out how feasible it would be to implement this. This will be discussed again at the next meeting.

Fundraiser's Report

- Lynne Stoll reported that 42 tickets have been sold for the Ceilidh being held on 7th September. Raffle tickets have been distributed but no raffle prizes have been donated as yet. Lynne will send out another flyer to parents asking for prizes.
- It was decided that the Parent Council Christmas Fair would be held on 23rd November from 10am to 12noon.
- Lynne thought that holding a Family Disco in the school next year would be a good idea. This will be discussed at a later date.

AOB

Paul Brooks said that he was going to be fundraising for the school next year. He plans to cycle from the school to Ben Nevis and his wife, Maria will swim across Loch Lomond. Paul is also looking for a volunteer to climb Ben Nevis as part of the fundraising. Gael Gordon said she would ask her husband if he was willing to do it.