

Minutes of Isobel Mair Parent Council

Thursday 7th November 2013

Present: -

Graham Campbell
Alvar Kenwell
Lynne Stoll
Mari Wallace
Nick Crossan
Julia Haugh Reid
Christine Sim

Parent Members

Paul Brooks
Angela Mason
Shona Cherry
Marie Withers
Nicola Kerr
Margaret Murray

Apologies

Kirsty Clark
Joanne McAlpine

Chairperson's Report

- Graham welcomed everyone to the meeting and spoke about engaging new people to the meetings and events. He suggested a Parent and Children Family Disco in the school and thought it would be a good idea to send out a flyer to parents to gauge support for an event. Mari Wallace, Head Teacher suggested that the Parent Council attend Parents' Evenings and hand out leaflets explaining what the Parent Council do to encourage people to attend the meetings and events.

Treasurer's Report

- Alvar gave his report. The Parent Council have sent a cheque to the school for the Environmental Studies money amounting to £2,160. Currently the bank account balance is sitting at just over £15,000.

Margaret Murray asked why the Parent Council didn't purchase the Planters that the school asked for at the previous meeting. Graham said that they wanted to see the Planters first before they purchase them. Margaret said she felt it was difficult to ask Parents to support fund raising events if the money wasn't going to be spent. Graham said that the Parent Council need to keep a float in the bank for unexpected eventualities.

Head Teacher's Report

- Mari advised that the school was very busy at the moment. The new Director of Education, Mhari Shaw, visited the school to launch the school's new booklet "50 things to do before you leave Isobel Mair School". This booklet will last throughout o child's school life and all children will be able to participate.
- Dates for all the Christmas activities will be out to parents shortly.
- "The Wee Man" will be switching on the Christmas Lights of the School Fair.
- Mari brought up the issue of only 1 signature being present on the Parent Council cheques and after clarification with Funds Procedures, suggested that this be changed to 2 signatures. Alvor Kenwell, Treasurer will look into this with the bank and get it changed.

Fundraisers Report

- Lynne spoke about the Christmas Fair. There ore 20 tables booked at £10 per table.
- 2 Tickets will be sent out to every child in the school and tickets will also be sold at the door.
- Requests for home baking to be handed into the school on Friday 22nd November will also be sent out to parents.

Date of next meeting - Thursday 23rd January 2014 at 7pm