

A meeting of St Luke's High School Parent Council was held at 6.30pm on Tuesday, 26th April 2022

MINUTES

- The Meeting opened with a prayer.
- Present: C. Goodenough, K. Hunter, D. Hone, K. Jones, G. McKeag, A. Pegza, M. Pollock, C. Ross, G. McKinlay (GMCK/minutes)

Apologies: C. Downie, P. Canning, P. O'Donnell, M. Ross, O. Sobowale, A. Sobowale

1. Correspondence

- C.Goodenough gave update.

2. Financial Update

- No expenditure; funds have been received from Cluster schools

3. HWB Census

- There was discussion around the Census and concerns raised from a number of schools
- It was confirmed that opt-in (positive) consent was required from parents for their child to take part
- A database of consents received from parents will be managed by the school, 112 received so far

4. SQA Update

- SQA Exam diet started today
- S4-6 pupils have each received masterclass revision and personal exam timetables
- We have a compliment of ten invigilators
- Guidance is available in the event of a pupil being unable to attend due to illness/Covid or any other circumstance
- Estimated grades have been shared with pupils and learning conversations took place with their pupil support teachers
- SQA has received the estimated grades. These can be used as supporting evidence in the event of an appeal being lodged
- Results will be available on Tuesday 9th August. Pupils are being encouraged to sign up for text and/or email notifications
- The appeals process opens on Tuesday 9th August

5. Covid Update

- A building assessment took place on 25th April
- Wearing of masks in corridors and social areas is encouraged but no longer enforceable
- Separate entrances and one-way system are being maintained with hand sanitiser being offered at entry points
- Weekly assemblies are now taking place
- Internal rooms (Conference and Makerspace) are not yet in use re ventilation aspects
- Parents evening: there was discussion about in-person and online meetings with positive feedback on both. While keen for parents to return into school consideration was given to the current health situation. Preference was given to continuing with online meetings for the remaining two parents evenings.
- P7/new S1 Information Evening will be held in person. There was discussion around Parent Council having a table at this event to engage with parents
- P7 pupils have their inductions days here on 16 and 17May.

6. Parental Open Doors Event

- This fun, family outdoor event was suggested as part of welcoming parents back into school
- This is planned for August/September 2022 and attendance will be informal

7. Staffing Update

- Raymond Bell, English teacher and PT Development will retire after over twenty years' service here. This PT role was reviewed and become part of the Pedagogy and Curriculum Design post. We are appointing two full-time English teachers
- Interviews take place next week for a new Technical teacher to replace Mrs Goldie
- Interviews take place this week for a new P.E. teacher
- Gail Patterson is now PT for Social Justice and Inclusion which reduces her hours teaching Home Economics. A recent report shows the school as having the highest level of positive destinations for pupil leavers within East Renfrewshire, and this is partly due to G.Patterson's recent work.
- We are now joined by Fiona Williamson in Home Economics.
- PEF posts for Literacy, Numeracy and Health & Wellbeing will be re-advertised within the school
- There are PT development posts available in Digital, STEAM, Parental Engagement and Rights Respecting School
- Alison Hastings was PT for Developing Young Workforce which is now within G.Patterson's remit. Alison is now PT for Raising Attainment

8. A.O.C.B.

- There was discussion around the phased introduction of tartan skirts for all girls
- Braiding on blazers was also discussed

The meeting closed with a prayer