

<div>COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR</div> <div>Department of Education &amp; Children’s Services</div> <div>Minute/Note of Meeting</div>		TITLE	Parent Council Meeting				
		DATE	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2023		TIME	6.30pm	
		VENUE	Online				
		DISTRIBUTION	All Members & MC Ferguson, Head of Education.				
Present:	Andrew Coghill, Andy Murray (Head Teacher), Rhoda Campbell, Kathleen Duce, Rachel MacDonald, Gordon Macleod, Ruth Miller, Cllr P Finnegan, Cllr Grant Fulton, Ian Murdo MacDonald & Alison MacDonald – joined the meeting at 6.45pm						
Apologies:	Anna Morrison, Caroline Chaffer, Donna Macleod, Donella Barker, Jenna Morrison, Kirsty Donnelly (DHT), Adam Johnson (PT), Pauline Macleod (DHT), Louisa MacDougall,						
Agenda Item					Action	Who?	When?
1	Welcome	AC welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologised for the fact that the Meeting had had to be moved online at short notice due to the snowy weather.					
2	Apologies	Apologies were noted above.					
3	Minute of 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2022	The minute of the meeting held on 05.12.22 was agreed to be an accurate record – proposed: R MacDonald, seconded: R Campbell.					
4	Matters Arising	5. Sgoil Araich PF is yet to arrange a meeting with SA parents, Carol Burns and Mary C Ferguson SEO, this will be done as soon as possible. AC said parents would like to meet with managers as soon as possible as a matter of urgency. AMU provided details of communication issued to Sgoil Àraich parents today. Ms Nadine Murray has been appointed as Peripatetic Sgoil Àraich Manager, he also provided details of her role. Following the last PC meeting there was an unannounced re-inspection by the Care Inspectorate of the Sgoil Àraich on Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2022. Overall, they are satisfied that the issues raised are being addressed by the local authority. Although there is still work to be done, progress has been made.			• Arrange meeting with C Burns, MC Ferguson and SA Parents.	PF	ASAP
		6. Behaviour on Buses AMU explained the transport leaflets are no longer available. AC said the main issues is difficulties arising from interaction between primary and secondary pupils. He suggested primary pupils sit at the front of the buses and secondary pupils sit at the back of the buses. AMU will address pupils at assembly regarding this matter. He would like to encourage parents to contact him directly so specific issues can be dealt with directly.			• Address issues raised with pupils.	AMU	ASAP
		8a. Burns Night RC provided an update on the current arrangements. Bill Scott has kindly agreed to do the catering, Emma Mackinnon is arranging the entertainment. A further meeting of the organising committee will take place (also online) after this meeting tonight. Ticket prices were also discussed with the following being agreed by all members - £40 for a family, £15.00 for adults, £10 for Secondary pupils and £7.50 for primary pupils. AMU thanked RC and the committee for organising this event.			•		

5	Head Teacher's Report	<b>Staffing/Promotional Video</b> AMU provided the following staffing update. Ms Nadine Murray has been appointed as peripatetic Sgoil Àraich Manager. Interviews for the SFLAA post will take place next week. There have been no applicants for the PEF Attainment Apprentice or the HE Post. These posts will be re-advertised. AMU has been working with Martin Macleod, Multi Media Unit on the Promotional Video.	•		
		<b>Strategic Equity Funding</b> AMU provided details of funding that has been secured for the Iceland Trip, Badaguish Trip, a Maths Project and a universal Breakfast Club. AMU provided details of these projects and clubs. They are waiting for response for a further two bids which have been submitted, for an Outdoor store in the Primary and a sensory garden based in the secondary department, although this will be available for all pupils.	•		
		<b>Green Week</b> Green Week – Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> January 2023. AMU provided details of trips being organised during this week for S1 and S2 pupils to North Harris Trust and Temple Café. These are being organised by Mr Ross Miller, DYW Co-ordinator.	•		
6	SQA Update Prelims	Prelims have been going well, hope to have them all completed by Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> January.	•		
7	Financial Update	AC provided an update of accounts. The current balance on 16.01.23 is £920.52. <i>P7 Funding Request</i> AMU shared a letter from P7 pupils who are requesting £130 for the Lego League Challenge. This involves Gaelic and English medium pupils and P7 pupils from Leverhulme Memorial School. This was discussed briefly. AC suggested waiting until after the Burns Supper and then the Primary request will be considered. AC will email all members before the next meeting an update on this matter. GM suggested P7 pupils do some fundraising for this activity. AMU agreed this point and he will speak to pupils regarding activities.	• Send P7 Letter to all members • Email all members with following the Burns Supper • Fundraising opportunities for pupils	AMU  AC  AMU	ASAP  After 20.01.23  ASAP
8	Parent Drop In Sessions	RC mentioned suspending the Parent Drop In Sessions for a while as they have not been very effective. AMU emailed RC with a response to all the issues that were previously raised. AMU explained he has only been in post for 9 weeks. A lot of the issues that have been raised are historical, he is keen to address all these matters. AMU reiterated the importance of parents contacting the school directly if they have any concerns. Support for Learning will go back onto the Agenda for the next meeting.	• Email response to concerns raised to AC. • Support for Learning Agenda item for next meeting	AMU  AC	ASAP  13.03.23
9	Date of Next Meeting	The next meeting will take place on Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 6.30pm.	•		
10	Close of Meeting	AC thanked everyone for attending and the meeting closed at 7.20pm.	•		