

KING'S PARK SECONDARY SCHOOL
PARENT PARTNERSHIP
MINUTES OF IN PERSON MEETING: 4th March 2025



Present:

Elaine Harvey
Kirsty Ayed
Marjory Martin
Katy Cook

Rachel Callaghan
Karen Ross
Ian Easton

Apologies:

Jen Cocker
Sue Munro
Nicola Smith
Nabilah Haq

Welcome and Apologies.

Elaine Harvey welcomed everyone.

Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising.

Minutes approved.

Treasurer's report and funding bids.

Current balance: £831.89.

Funding bid for PE strips, £1800. This was discussed and additional funding sources suggested

- Sponsorship
- Fundraising with teams

PP happy to contribute once other avenues explored.

Funding bid £280 for leavers celebrations agreed.

Correspondence.

Nil new to update.

New discussion points:

- PEF update - This funding has been used to finance extra promoted and unpromoted staff, FARE youth workers, family liaison officer, campus police officer, breakfast club from 0800, links and use of Castlemilk Youth Complex, and I-pad chargers among other things. The school would welcome other ideas on how to use the PEF money. This will be revisited at future meetings.
- Captains update – See end of minutes.
- New school website – The new website is much easier to update and to navigate. The first page is news. The school will continue to update their Instagram account and will prompt links to the website.
- HT report – see end of minutes.

Matters arising:

- Nothing to report.

AOCB.

Nothing to report.

Agenda items for next meeting

- Ideas for use of PEF
- School improvement fund.

Next meeting, in person Tuesday 6th May 2025 at 1830

CAPTAINS REPORT:

Throughout the year, we have planned many events such as children in need, pupil lead assemblies, interviews for our new BGE captain system, S1 Halloween disco, helped out at Auchengillen the S1 team building day and have many more events in the pipeline, such as: the masked singer which will be a fundraiser, spring fling to celebrate the end of term for all S5 and S6's and more to come.

We have done team-building activities such as escape rooms which we were grateful for the funding for, thank you! Our regular captain meetings which take place every Monday, where one of us will have a planned agenda and one of us will take minutes. This is then shared for us to follow up where necessary on action points.

We have volunteered at numerous school events such as parents evenings, school concerts and shows, mother tongue show, etc.

We have promoted and helped out at clubs, encouraging students to come and play sports, instruments and more. We have also created an Instagram account for the captains which we post on regularly so we can share our news and upcoming events while getting students opinions and feedback and promoting the captaincy team.

Kathryn and Brodie met with the director of education to discuss school policies and how the council can help improve schools throughout Glasgow and another group is planned to attend tomorrow.

We have enjoyed our time and look forward to reviewing it with Mrs Kelly to help with planning for the next group of Captains. We are hoping to host a chat with eh captains session for pupils who are thinking about applying to be captain next session to share our experiences and they can find out more.

Parent Partnership School Report

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Our new timekeeping procedures are going well. We still have many young people who are arriving late for school, but since its introduction we have seen a reduction in these numbers and a reduction in the amount of time they are late by. We are hoping this improves the lost learning time for these young people and for others in the class who are disrupted by late coming. Discussions have taken place with young people and families where we think a change of level or sideways move would be beneficial to the young person's chances of success. Last week we finished our Collaborative Self Improvement Review of all departments across the school with Computing and Business Education. We will review our approaches to self-evaluation in preparation for next session.

Staffing – Ms Farmer has joined us from Fife and has made a great start in her role as PT Modern Languages. The department put on an event last Thursday in support of Mother Tongue Day and a Modern Language Bingo event at lunchtime on Friday. We have had our authority staffing meeting discussions to project forward for next year. Mr Boyd in Maths has notified us of his intentions to retire in June 2024, Mrs Walker in Food Technology is reducing her hours to 3 days per week and Mrs Ferguson is taking a career break for 6 months from August to allow her to travel. We have shared with the authority our need for replacement staff in the appropriate areas – whether that is probationers or permanent/temporary staff.

Mrs Kelly and Mrs Preston have had their work, following their Into Headship course, published in an educational journal, which is being released on Friday. We are very proud of them and are looking forward to celebrating their success on Friday afternoon at the City Chambers.

Wed 05-Mar SP Music Showcase (evening – 6 pm start)

Our BGE Cheerleaders had success in a Scottish Schools competition on Wednesday of last week and came 3rd out of their group of 11. This is a fantastic achievement for them and their teacher lead – Miss McKay Clark who has done an amazing job with them.

Calendar

Tue 11-Mar S1 Tracking issued

Thu 20-Mar S3 Tracking issued

Mon 24-Mar House Assemblies/Chaplaincy

Fri 28-Mar Senior Phase Tracking (with estimates) issued

Mon 31-Mar Believe Achieve Letters 3

Thu 03-Apr Senior Phase Awards Ceremony (3.00-4:30 pm)

Fri 04-Apr School Closes at 2.30pm, Non Uniform

Spring Break – Monday 7th April to Monday 21st April 2025