

Minutes of the Family & School Partnership meeting on 24th April 2023 at Shawlands Academy

Present: Kate Anstey (PCTC vice-Chair), Carol Cutler (Deputy Head), Stephanie Summers (Treasurer), Clare Roberts (PCTC Committee Member), Helen Wallace (PCTC Committee Member), Steph Hay (PCTC Committee Member), Ivonne Hughes (Secretary), Julia Chau, Louise Young

Apologies: Elaine Hunter (F&SP Chair) and Pauline Carr (Headteacher)

1. A welcome to the F&SP meeting by Kate Anstey.
2. The February PCTC minutes were agreed.
3. It was discussed and agreed to produce a flyer to advertise the F&SP to P7 parents as they will be attending the P7 to S1 transition meeting at the Academy on 16th May. Stephanie Hay, kindly offered to make the flyer.
The flyer was approved with minor changes. Ivonne will send the flyer to Pauline and Carol for distribution to the P7 parents and for printing some copies for the transition meeting on the 16th May.
4. The Family & School Partnership former PCTC to organise and volunteer to introduce ourselves (under our new name) to new parents at the P7 to S1 transition meeting on 16th May.
5. Carol provided comments on the Education Scotland Inspection report and will provide a summary on the main 3 strengths every school has. The School Inspection takes place every 10 years.
6. Carol presented the Headteacher's report, among the important subjects: SQA exams are to take place from 24th April to 1st June. Primary 7 to S1 transition sessions have been running well, leavers graduation, a switching event to exchange clothes will take place at the end of term. Billy the Campus Officer is helping with talking about staying safe on the internet - social media like snapchat, etc. Magic breakfast will offer bagels and toast to those who want it starting in August - they are looking for DoE volunteers to run the bagel bar. Refer to the Headteacher report for full details and additional information.
7. Stephanie Summers provided the treasurer's report, on 21st March the balance was £4,335.54; however, there are two cheques to be paid for consumables £226.68 + £23.22 = £249.90. This brings the balance to £4,085.64.
In May, the Council will pay £400 which is the annual contribution to the F&SP. The seniors asked for a photo booth at a cost of £400, which was approved.
8. AOB:
 - 1) We are looking for new members since some of the current members will no longer have children at the school next academic year. We are looking for a chair and a secretary.
 - 2) Dr Elaine Hunter will be stepping down as she will have no children in the school next academic year.
 - 3) Ivonne Hughes will be stepping down as secretary at the AGM; however, will remain a member of the F&SP.