**Springburn Academy Parent Council**

**Minutes of Meeting**
**Date:** Tuesday 26th August 2025
**Time:** 6.00 pm
**Venue:** School Library

**1. Welcome & Introductions**

The meeting was chaired by **Mrs L. Riddell (Head Teacher)** who welcomed all present.

**Attendees:**
Helen McMillan (Treasurer), Pamela Metcalfe, Valentyna Kalyta, Vadym Diatlenko, Lauren Collan, Rebecca Barbour(PC Chair), Angela Rowe, Alaba Osemwegie, Erin Long, Azulia Shukut, Mariia Hodlevska.

**Also in attendance:**
Megan Penman (PT Family Learning and Parental Engagement).

**Apologies:** None noted.

**2. Head Teacher’s Update – Mrs L. Riddell**

**a) Shared Vision and Values**

* Mrs Riddell introduced the new **school vision and values**, following a robust consultation process (January–June 2025) with pupils, staff, and parents/carers.
* Vision: *“To provide a* ***nurturing****,* ***excellent,*** *and* ***equitable*** *learning environment where every young person is* ***empowered to reach their full potential*** *and supported into a* ***positive and sustainable destination.”***
* Values: **Ambition, Respect, Kindness, Honesty**.
* Next stage: S1–S3 pupils will design a **new school motto** and propose enhancements to the **school badge** to reflect community pride. Parents, carers, pupils, and staff will be invited to vote on the final designs before the October break.

**b) Extra-Curricular Life of the School**

* S6 Leadership Team will consult S1–S3 pupils about desired clubs and activities.
* Feedback will be shared with staff.
* An **Extra-Curricular Fayre** will be held by the end of September to showcase opportunities and allow pupils to sign up.

**c) SQA Results 2025**

* Significant improvement reported across S4–S6 exam results compared to the past five-year trend.
* Reflected positively on the hard work of pupils and commitment of staff.
* Demonstrates the school’s ambition and aspirational direction.

**d) Staffing Updates**

* **Megan Penman (PT Family Learning and Parental Engagement)** introduced her role and outlined her priorities.
* Introduction of a **Home School Link Worker** to strengthen family–school partnerships and improve attendance.

**e) Next Meeting & AGM**

* Next Parent Council meeting scheduled for **Tuesday 7th October 2025**.
* This will also be the **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** where roles of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer will be elected.
* The current Parent Council Chair requested interpreter services for the AGM. Mrs Riddell will arrange this if required.

**3. Parent Council Updates**

**a) Fundraising**

* Helen McMillan confirmed bag-packing slots have been allocated to the Parent Council to raise funds for mental health support in the school.
* Query raised about the need for **Public Liability Insurance**.
* Action: Mrs Riddell to enquire and liaise with Ms McMillan.

**4. Any Other Business**

No further items discussed.

**5. Date of Next Meeting**

**Tuesday 7th October 2025 at 6.00 pm (AGM).**

**Minutes prepared by:**
Mrs L. Riddell, Head Teacher