



Rosshall Academy Parent Council

Meeting Minutes – Wednesday 10 October 2025

Attendees

Chairperson – Ronnie Jamieson **Vice Chairperson** – Peggy McCartney **Treasurer** – Alasdair McLaren **Secretary** – Lisa Mullin
PC Members - Dale Hardy, Eddie Reavey, Ray McDonald, Adriana Paez Lozano
Vice Chairperson – Peggy McCartney
Staff – Pauline Swann HT and Ruth Guile

Apologies

PC Members - Gillian Connor,
Staff Apologies – Robert Clelland

Item Discussed	Action Required / Outcome	Action By	Completed Date
Welcomes & Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The meeting was opened by the Parent Council (PC) Vice Chairperson and apologies read out that were received.A warm welcome was given to all attendees.	N/A	N/A

Previous Minutes			
Approval of Previous Minutes	The previous minutes from Sept 2025 were: Approved by Peggy McCartney Seconded by Dale Hardy Correction to previous minutes: School was 10/30 not 1/30.	Secretary	N/A
Matters arising from Previous minutes	No matters arising.	N/A	N/A

Head Teachers Report			
HT Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I pad roll out has been completed and had been successful. Plugs that were faulty were returned. • S4-S6 supported study starts after October week. Information sent by email and newsletter. Not all subjects are on it as it is voluntary for teachers, so no guarantee. Online resources are available too and the feedback is that it is excellent. Promoting this for all. They include live webinars. One member asked if they were recorded. HT will check. • Destinations data – snapshot was taken on Monday this week. The school is 96.9% and the GCC average is 94%. Above average for Glasgow. Also not fluctuated so looks like it will be sustained. • Blackpool trip gone out by personal support. Sign up is this week. • Malawi trip is progressing. There are 3 staff working on it. Offering it to those who will be in S6 in 2026/27. Roughly 12 spaces. Gone out to all S5 to express interest. It will be a 2 week trip. Funding from Turin is possible. Govan High and Hillpark managed to get full costs through Turin funding. So will apply for that. Govan High School got 35k in total. Need to plan what to do while there and the children will be involved in this, Deciding on timelines after October week. There will be a clear selection process. • Lots of clubs running and more being added. • 4th year did level 6 first aid. S6 had opportunity to do it too. 4th year will keep getting opportunity. Some s5 also did it. The trainers said the students were very good and very respectful and responsive. Some staff also did it. • S6 leadership team have been appointed. Captains and prefects are now all named. Elected pupil parliament reps too. • Duke of Edinburgh Silver went well. • Christmas fayre is being scheduled to be same night as concert. Looking for people to take stalls. 	HT	N/A
RA Staff Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full staff complement just now. 		

Questions raised after HT Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There were no questions raised. 		N/A
Attendance and Engagement Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance and Engagement Policy is being launched after October break. It has been working on for a year and a half. Absence levels are high across Scotland. Report came out in 2019 to help schools create a policy with a focus on inclusion etc. The pandemic made things worse. The school have analyzed attendance patterns and the needs of students. 62% have an ASN and there is definitely a correlation. Also looking at engagement and language used. Looking at reasons students are off and working with others to get students to attend and engage. Trying to work with parents and carers. Mr Clelland is leading the parent engagement strategy. Trying to get all parents using the online parent portal. Looking at other things too like anti bullying strategy and look at relationship strategy and that can help attendance. School looking for views to help support attendance and engagement. Attendance issues across school but does get worse in the senior phase. Parent portal has timetables, attendance etc, and videos to show how you get on. Direct communication in real time through parent portal. 		

Treasurers Report			
Confirmed Balance at 8 th October 2025 £3033.34	<p>The following Report was presented by the Treasurer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cash £451.29 £2582.05 in bank Cheque went to school but waiting to hear school got it. Bonus ball money in. Costs out include: values trophies and November school let. Invoice for area partnership received from school and will send on to council. 	Treasurer	

Secretary Emails / Enquiries			
Emails or enquiries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connect emails received. Email out about charity fair after October. Youth Philanthropy Initiative. Tomorrow is non uniform day to raise money from the YPI. Charities are coming. S2 lead this project to raise money for a charity in combination with YPI. Put together case as to why their charity gets the money. This is part of the wider achievement. This could be clearer in the email communications. 		

Fundraising			
Sub Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> S1 parent night coming up 27th October. S3 in Nov. S4 was well attended. Bonus ball 14 sold. No winners. 	Vice Chairperson	
Any other competent business			
AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tracking reports for S4 are still not easily understood by parents. Needs a bit more information. 'Not present' mean teacher not there rather than the student. System has restrictions that can't switch it off but can explain this. Exam timetable is also out. Cost of school day – be good to look at this with PC and maybe speak to the pupil group and see what they think. Prom dresses for example are very expensive. 		

Next Parent Council Meeting	Wednesday 7 November 2025 @ 1900 Within Rosshall Academy School Library
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