

St Angela's Parent Council AGM

Minutes of a Virtual Parent Council AGM meeting on Tuesday 7TH September at 6.30p.m.

Present: Mary Louise, Eabhnat, Mrs LaCombre, Jacqueline, Fiona, Mrs Thompson, Mr Shokunbi, Lisa, Emma, Mrs Isaac. Tanzeela Naz, Amna Iftikhar, Selina, Thomas, Nicola, Tahmina Parveen, Aqsa, Harlan Anwar, Nabeela Chahan, Leeza Nurfairul and Teresa

Apologies: Mr Kerlin and Miss Pollok.

Mary Louise welcomed everyone to the meeting. Lots of new faces as well as the usual members. Mary Louise went over some housekeeping rules for using Zoom this evening.

Mary Louise explained that the first part of the evening would be quite formal but necessary. There was a short introduction from the current Parent Council members.

Treasurer's Report

The accounts are usually audited by this time and are currently being done now.

Balance £9547.20. £9055.00 is a grant from Area Partnership and is allocated to the school for the playground.

Fundraising monies brought in this year through Virtual Raffles (Christmas and Easter)

Spending this year was on – £147 Panto (virtual), £100 Books for diversity and Black Lives Matter, £100 for Family Fun Fitness, £1000+ for playground equipment, £900 on Leavers Hoodies etc. There will be a clearer breakdown in the report once the books have been audited.

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Chairpersons Report

This has been given out via email through the school.

Leavers Night - was a great success, The pupils had a wonderful time. Lots of effort and manpower needed so a big thank you to those who helped.

Outdoor Learning – great things have been achieved this year. Thanks to everyone involved.

SALTIRE Project - £9000 grant successful. Another £2500 Grant was also secured. Well done to everyone involved in making this happen.

It was agreed to continue with Janice Cowan to audit the books.

The minutes of last years AGM were agreed.

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Election of New Members

Leeza Nurfairul, Nabeela Chohan and Amna Iftikhar agreed to join the Parent Council as new members. Tanzilah Naz will think about things first. It was noted that members can change their minds at any time. Mary Louise welcomed the new members.

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Election of Office Bearers

Mary Louise nominated Mr Shokunbi as Chairperson and this was seconded by Eabhnat,

Mary Louise nominated Selina as Vice-Chairperson. This was seconded by Mr Shokunbi.

Treasurer – There were no nominations so will return to this.

Sub Groups agreed are –

- HWB and Outdoor Learning
- Road Safety
- Communication
- Fundraising.

All of these are open to non Parent Council members who have children in the school.

Constitution

As there were no changes this will remain the same. Everyone agreed,

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None.

The date for the next AGM will be Tuesday 6th September 2022.

Mary Louise closed the meeting. Any non PC members were welcome to stay for the meeting that follows but are only a spectator and cannot contribute to any discussions.

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(Some non members left during the course of this meeting)

Mr Shokunbi (Olu) will Chair the meeting (with a little help from Mary Louise).

He gave his thanks to everyone for their support up until now and proceeded with his first meeting.

Mrs LaCombre opened the meeting with a prayer especially remembering those we have lost since the last meeting.

Treasurer's Report

This was covered in the AGM.

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Head Teacher's Report

Mrs LaCombre expressed her thanks from the school staff for the support from the Parent Council as they all work well together as a team. She also welcomed all the new and current members. She especially thanked Mary Louise for her contribution and effort as Chairperson during these challenging times.

Twitter – Not using Twitter in the same way as before as SeeSaw is the main contact for parents/carers. This will be used for more “whole school” information that needs to be sent out, class photos etc. The website is currently undergoing a revamp by Mr Kerlin. The PC are welcome to be onboard with this.

Standards and Quality Report – what has been achieved and what the aims for this year are.

Routes in to writing – Mrs Gordon

Global Sustainability – Eabhnat and Mrs Pollok. Also COP 26

Nursery – Language and Communication Friendly Award. This is spread over two years and will be focussing on Nurture.

The school returned with a tragedy over the summer holidays. The children have been very resilient during these sad times and are a credit to all.

Nature Grant Training – a date has been agreed.

Maureen McKenna (Director of Education) is retiring. The school wish her all the best.

Mark Smith – Police – Car Free Zone. Sarah the Campus Cop from St Pauls is willing to support the Car Free Zone also.

The school are hoping to have a memorial area in the near future.

The school photographer should be able to come in to the school now as there are no class bubbles. The photographs will be taken outside if possible.

Eco Agenda – litter.

Mary Louise was hoping to have a Community Litter Pick to promote the Parent Council and the work they do. This can also tie in with Climate Change. She has contacted Darnley Primary Parent Council about this and they are interested too. Just looking for a suitable day/date/time. It was agreed to look at a Saturday or Sunday morning or after school on a Wednesday/Thursday. It was agreed to try for Sunday 19th September and see who can make it. If the turnout is not great another date can be arranged. Olu asked how we get equipment for this – The equipment is in the Sunshine Room and Mrs LaCombre has given her permission for it to be used. (litter pickers). It was agreed to

purchase bin bags which will be left at the school bins once full. Mary Louise will chat to Darnley Primary PC as to what areas should be covered.

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Health and Well Being (see attached)

COP 26 is the biggest event this year and things are happening in October. Sustainability needs to be here forever.

£2500 funding from Glasgow Centre for Population Health for outdoor activities relating to Climate Change and inclusion, specifically targeting BAME girls.

See SALTIRE Plans attached

Survey of P4-P7 pupils to gauge awareness of engagement with and interest in the Climate Crisis.

School and Parent Council Joint Projects

- Wildlife garden
- Complete orchard
- Digital showcase of work done/planned
- Climate conversations (set date and time)
- Sharing event - celebration of success (set date and time)
- Parent/Carer involvement with pupils outdoors (set date and time)
- Parent/ Carer climate conversation
- Prep for COP 26

Sowing Seeds – estimated start date for Sensory Garden and Gathering Space after October holidays.

Sunshine Room – needs some TLC.

Memorial Garden

Aiming for a sustainability Award this time next year if agreed with the group. Lots of the work has already been done for this but we don't talk about it much. An Action Plan needs to be put in place and the word sustainability needs to be used continuously to tick all the boxes.

A celebration at the end of the year would be great to show the work that has already been done on the grounds. A date in June to be set for this, possibly a Saturday morning for 3-4 hours. There could be a fire pit, smores, outdoor activities and everyone getting together to celebrate. Mrs LaCombre is reluctant to set a date at the moment as SPAC is looking to return on a Saturday morning and the Sacramental dates have not been confirmed yet. A potential date of Tuesday 7th June was suggested but may need to change. If the event was in the evening access to the toilets etc would be needed and a Let would have to be booked. A time would also need to be decided.

Memorial Garden will now have more lives to be remembered. Fundraising had started but has stalled slightly.

The memorial plaque for Mr McGoughan is here but another plaque for family members lost recently can be bought. It was agreed to ask the family how they felt about this and abide by their wishes. Mrs LaCombre will speak to the family.

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Road Safety

Mary Louise said that they have been quite active over the past few weeks as the schools have now returned. They are working in partnership with Darnley Primary who are working with Glasgow City Council. They will get together soon on a Thursday evening for a brief rundown.

Emma – monitoring Greenacres Drive to see what the problems are as we want to be seen to be supporting the local residents.. There have been at least 4 incidents there recently. Parking cones have been put out to deter parking by parents. The Highway code states that you can't park on a dropped kerb because wheelchairs, prams etc need to be able to use them. It has been challenging trying to get that across to some drivers. Emma challenged a blue badge holder today who thought they could park anywhere. She says it's hard but she is always polite and points out potential hazards to pedestrians and residents. More advice is needed from Police Scotland as to putting out cones etc. It was suggested communicating with the first 20 residents in the street to get them on board. Videos and photos of car registrations have been taken. There was a recent incident involving an emergency vehicle finding it difficult to get through. The residents are aware of these issues. It was suggested that we ask the pupils to challenge their parents if they are not parking properly and encourage them to use Sainsburys car park. This has been done but to no avail.

It takes a team of people to put out/take in the cones. It is not illegal to do this as it's not a motoring symbol. More clarity needed on how active we can be. If purchasing Parking Buddies a team would be needed too and they would have to be taken out in all weather. Glen Orchy is getting busy again too so the committee are trying to find what they can do legally to keep everyone safe there also. Getting the residents on board is very important. It is good to have PC Mark as a contact and to have a meeting with. Olu has been out doing this since Monday and has asked others to join them when they can. He has also contacted Anna Richardson to see if she can come in. He will email her again.

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Memorial

This has been spoken about earlier. Mary Louise said this was started last year but, due to the tragedy over the summer, will need to be approached again with sensitivity. Need to action withdrawal of funds from GoFundMe in to a personal account then on to the school account. She is making everyone aware of this for transparency.

Eabhnat asked if we could withdraw that money and start another GoFundMe fundraiser as it says in the blurb this was for last year and would be continuing.

Fiona asked about options for PayPal money pools and have the benches arrived yet? Benches not arrived as school was closed over the summer. Fiona will follow this up as the bench should arrive with the plaque on it. Mrs LaCombre said that the plaque was already here. Fiona will get on to this.

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Communication

Mary Louise said that a glossy booklet had been provided the past couple of years but was sent out as an email last year. It was agreed to send out the same way as last year but with updated information ie. new Chairperson etc.

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Fundraising

Have a think about what we would like to do if we can have Lets from October. The Halloween Art Competition was very successful last year and can be done again. Possible pumpkin trail outside. Olu can bring wooden horses from Lions Club to help raise money. People pay to have a turn on them.

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Emma – P7 residential trip is this likely to go ahead? Looking at this at the moment. Difficulty is everyone is wanting to go and bookings are not easy. Also looking at staff who would be able to go once a decision has been made and things firmed up. Parents will be informed as soon as possible.

P1 Transition – A question was asked about potential pupils in private nursery – do the school normally liaise with a private nursery? – This depends on numbers and time. Mr Kerlin has been out and met some of the children and invited them in. Mr Kerlin will be visiting same as before and the school will be in touch.

Eabhna - On behalf of everyone a huge THANK YOU to Mary Louise for all her hard work. A little delivery should be arriving now. Mary Louise received her flowers and thanked everyone.

Olu suggested that the HWB Sub Group be renamed the HWB and Sustainability Group.

Olu thanked everyone for attending the meeting tonight and to the new members. He especially thanked Mary Louise for her inspiration and help that made him want to take on the role of Chairperson. He thanked Selina also as he knows they will work well together. He also asked everyone to encourage others to attend the meetings and become part of the Parent Council.

Olu closed the meeting.

The next meeting will take place on Zoom on Tuesday 5th October at 6.30p.m.