**Clydeview Academy**

**Parent Council Meeting**

**Held on Monday 2nd June 2025**

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| **Present:** (Chair) Muriel Russell, Anna McDougall, Faye Currie, Stine Hunt, Lorna Goodall, Wendy McKeegan, Val Forsyth, Rhona Turner, Cllr Elizabeth Robertson, Sarah Campbell  Valiant attempts from Nicola Robertson and Cllr Sandra Reynolds to join online |
| **Apologies:** Lynsey Keenan, Debs Scorthorne, Mhairi Towey, Lynne McDonald, David Gilmour, Claire Wooler, Emily Stables, Makiko Ozawa, Cllr Ian Hellyer, Craig Gibson |

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| Item |  | Action |
|  | **Welcome & Apologies**  Muriel welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies were as noted above |  |
|  | **Minutes of last meeting – 10th March 2025**  **Approved by:** Val Forsyth  **Seconded by:** Faye Currie |  |
|  | **Matters Arising**   * Twitter / X – still a subject of discussion, but no update * Toolkit Beta Testing – Val will cover during School Update on Agenda * WhatsApp group for PC helpers etc. – this has been very helpful when planning / staffing events. Any members can be added to build up the group of available helpers. |  |
|  | **Chairs Update**   * **DHT Interviews** –PC involvement in this process. Congratulations were extended to Val Forsyth who was successful in securing this post * **Connect Resources and Sessions**: Details included in agenda. Log on instructions can be accessed from Muriel. Keen for members to use this resource * **PC Chairs Update – 12th May 2025:** * Update on PVG regulations. Attended a Volunteer Scotland presentation, as it looked initially that all PC members across Scotland would need to get a PVG check. However, we don’t operate events as a Parent Council, so don’t need to change anything on the basis of that new provision. Our influencing role is purely advisory, the school is still the decision-making body – taking our views into account – so again, we do not need to change anything with regard to that new provision   There was some discussion within the group about this issue and the fact that we need to be aware of things we might need to do if the remit of the group changes in future   * Anti-bullying policy – new national guidance, so the authority level and school level policies will have to be reviewed again in light of this * ASN provision update – feedback to other Chairs that the provision here at Clydeview will be put in place |  |
|  | **Finance**   * Easy Fundraising – we have raised £44 through this mechanism since the last meeting * We need to buy some more stock for the school show, but hopefully we should make that back * We should be ending the year roughly in the same position as we were in at the beginning of the year   There was some discussion about things that the school might need – jotters came up a few times and Val wanted to take this back, as this wasn’t a previously known need.  Jaimie Stables will be in touch with the PC about a Container – to support storage for show scenery etc. The approximate cost of this will be £2k – although not all of the cost will be expected from the PC.  PC contribution to the School Prizegiving was discussed, as was preparing staff for another round of Make a Bid  Rhona to check with Lorna in the office that the Council contribution to the PC has arrived and has been passed over to the school  Request was made for some feedback on last year’s Make a Bid so that we can celebrate the success of this | RT  VF |
|  | **Events**   * P7 Transition Evening – this Wednesday. Val will present on behalf of the PC and share the QR codes for Easy Fundraising * School Show – next Wed / Thur / Fri – already well-staffed. Slight gap to fill for Friday night.   Discussion about logistics of dealing with stock etc. and Val provided a solution to getting drinks pre-chilled.  Muriel also suggested a modest price rise for all drinks at events – which was agreed to by all members.  Revised price list to be provided to Sarah – who will get them laminated | VF  MR / SC |
|  | **Head Teacher’s Highlights**  Val provided a presentation with the school update, attached   * **Parental Engagement Toolkit –** we had a run-through of what’s already been included in this and how parents will be able to access it   Some discussion within the group about elements that parents might find useful – Val has taken note of these   * **ASN provision –** 5 young people are due to access the new facility in August. They have had 3 visits to the school and a PT has now been appointed over the unit. Recruitment for other staff continues |  |
|  | **Standards & Quality / Improvement Planning**  Val outlined the current priorities that the school has identified and will be reporting on (see presentation, item 7)  This was followed by small group discussion on the school’s improvement priorities, providing written contributions on:   * Positive things that are happening relating to the priorities * What change would look like if the aims of the priorities were realised? * How do we articulate skills development? |  |
|  | **A.O.B**  Discussed the AGM in September. Requirement for succession planning as Muriel only has one more year in the school and we do not want to have a cliff edge when she leaves, with no-one prepared to take over the chair or aware of the role in some way.  Discussion about the requirement for a Vice Chair. Liz indicated that she would not be able to continue as Secretary if there wasn’t a Vice Chair in place.  Sarah has indicated that she’s happy to step into whatever role is needed.  Also discussed others within our networks who could become members of the PC. |  |
|  | **Date of next meeting: Monday 25th August 6.30pm** |  |