Airdrie Academy

Parent Council Meeting

Wednesday 13/1/2016

Attending; Wil McGhie, David Smith, Shona Cowan, Lesley Truesdale, Margaret McKenna, David Lawson, Jan Buchanan, Gillian Gallagher, Linda Whyte, Scott Cornfield, Daun Ferguson, Graeme Nolan, Ian Fannon.

Apologies; Lorna McIndoe, Alexandria McNeil, Lesley Coburn, Derek Espie.

Minutes; Minutes from the previous meeting were proposed by David Lawson and seconded by Scott Cornfield.

Matters Arising;

Due to the proposed cuts by NLC the council were informed by the head teacher that the settlement is a lot worse and there are more proposed cuts than expected. Hopefully we should be a bit more aware of what is happening after a meeting to be held in February. Scott Cornfield has emailed his local MSP regarding the cuts.

Fundraiser Report;

Dates for your diary are as follows;

Friday 19th February. Desert Race 7.30 till 10.30. Bring your own bottle and nibbles. Tickets cost £2.50

Friday 13th May. Quiz/Wine night. Tickets and times TBA.

Enterprise Report;

There was a good report from the S4 mock interviews held a few months back. Hopefully these will be held again this year. Thanks also goes to Airdrie Football Club for the loan of football strips for one of the school football teams.

Head Teacher Report;

See separate sheet.

Correspondence.

SPTC Backchat,

The Parent Council are now registered on VANL records.

AOCB; Bag packing; Chair of the parent council will look into a possible store for a date regarding bag packing.

Margaret McKenna thanked the Nat 5 Hospitality class on behalf of invited Parent Council members for the beautiful meal they presented to Staff and Invited Guests.

Volunteers from the parent council are required to help serve teas / coffee at the up and coming Young Singer / Musician night.

Recent Shop to Drop fund raising night for Vision Africa was a huge success.

A point was raised at the meeting regarding why the toilets was locked at the end of the school day. This will be investigated.

Another matter raised was about chewing gum left by individuals on / under classroom seats. This will also be raised again.

Changing rooms at After School clubs are not always locked. Head teacher will chase this matter up.

Graeme Nolan asked if everyone on the Parent Council noticed the Giraffe fund raiser board in the social area, as in just 5 months the school has reached more than their target of £10,000 for Vision Africa in memory of Ruth Ross.

Glenmavis Bus; Complaints about the state and safety of pupils travelling to the school from the village were raised. Parents will raise their concerns with SPTC.

Date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 2nd March at 7pm.