**Calderhead High School**

**Parent Council Meeting**

**Thursday 2nd May 2019**

**In Attendance:-**

Alison Barr (Chair), Jennifer Hayburn , Audra McPhee, Lynn Prentice (minute taker), John Robertson, Fiona Forrest, Corrina Campbell, Gordon Muir

**Apologies:-**

Claire Whyte, Maxine Paterson, Elaine Byrne

**Correspondence**

None received since previous meeting

**Head Teacher Report**

As usual, John provided the report prior to the meeting.

Issues discussed –

* Modern apprenticeships.
* Placing of Calderhead in list published in national newspaper.
* Probationers (4 requested from government), challenges in some subjects ie Home Economics.
* Audra was thanked for her assistance with the DHT interviews, feed back has been provided to the candidates.
* Reduction in staffing allocation for session 19/20, by 0.35 FTE, imposed by NCL due to necessary savings to be made across the authority (£1.2m).
* Reduction in Scottish attainment challenge staffing to 0.43 FTE, resulting in a reduction in support teachers & no attainment mentors, these mentors are due to finish in June 19.
* Active school’s co-ordinator is currently on Maternity leave, currently there are no plans to backfill this post due to lack of funding. There was a great deal of discussion surrounding this and the members present agreed that this required to be addressed ASAP, particularly as one of the focus area within the Scottish Attainment Challenge is Health & Well Being. The members voiced their concerns in relation to the pupils health & well being if there was no active schools co-ordinator within the cluster schools to led this initiate. **ACTION** – Lynn Prentice (Dykehead), Audra McPhee (Allanton) & Gordon Muir (Alexander Peden) to discuss with the primary schools’ parent councils.

**Plans to make video**

Alison to create a doodle poll to organise a separate meeting to work on the video.

Lynn suggested that it may be good to consider other videos which have been produced.

It was suggested that a survey of the transition process should be undertaken involving both the pupils & parents.

**AOCB** - none

**Date of next meeting: AGM Thursday 6th June @ 6pm**