**Kilbarchan Primary School Parent Council – AGM Minutes**

30th September 2021

**Welcome / Apologies**

Amanda Hynd welcomed all attendees and introduced the members of our Parent Council for 2020 – 2021 session.

Amanda Hynd – temporary Chair

Pamela Yule – Vice Chair

Amanda Hynd – Treasurer

Iain Gardner – Secretary

Special recognition was given to Claire Brown for all of her work undertaken on behalf of the Parent Council in an unofficial role. Claire is always a great support to the Parent Council and is also in attendance at most meetings.

**Head Teachers Update**

* FM stated that the standard quality report and improvement plan is due to be published on the school website.

* Pupils are still being asked to wash hands on arrival at school and also before leaving.

* The school is working with pupils to promote the school values and continue to celebrate the successes of pupils.

We are KIND

We are WELCOMING

We are SUPPORTIVE

We are DETERMINED

* Work on the outdoor garden area is due to take place but has been delayed as awaiting a delivery from a supplier.
* In response to question submitted in advance of AGM from AT, FM confirmed that an update will go out in the next newsletter re parent/teacher meetings and also plans to offer things similar to the online learning hour which was offered to this year’s P1s to other year groups. FM is also keen to receive suggestions from parents/carers re what they would like the school to provide going forward.
* In response to feedback from parents/carers around Parent Council meetings being held in the evening instead of after school to allow more people to attend it was agreed that we would hold an evening meeting during October via Teams.
* The school are working on the P7 transition model along with a teacher who works with all cluster primary school setting across Renfrewshire. P7 and P6/7 teachers are also involved in transition activities along with the P7s themselves. The aim is to ensure the transition model works well going forward.

**Treasures Report**

* A copy of the annual accounts’ summary is available on request via email from the Parent Council at [Kilbarchan.ParentCouncil@yahoo.com](mailto:Kilbarchan.ParentCouncil@yahoo.com) For anyone who does not have access to email please contact the school office.

* AH highlighted a £500 employee volunteer grant was received from Virgin Money. This was awarded to the school to assist the P7s with their Playground Legacy Project during the Summer of 2021.
* AH highlighted that in order to be able to purchase leaver hoodies, trophies, yearbooks etc for the 2022 P7 leavers the Parent Council will need to look into fundraising ideas as the funds in our account have taken a hit because of the impact of Covid.

**Election of Parent Council Committee Members 2021-2022**

Amanda Hynd provided a brief overview of each role and then invited attendees to put themselves forward if interested.

* Amanda Hynd – Chair (Nominated by CB, seconded by PY)
* Pamela Yule – Vice Chair (Nominated by CB, seconded by AH)
* Sarah Barry – Treasurer (Nominated by CB, seconded by AH)
* Position not filled – Secretary

If any parent or carer would be interested in volunteering to be parent council Secretary, or to find out more as to what the role would entail, please contact [Kilbarchan.ParentCouncil@yahoo.com](mailto:Kilbarchan.ParentCouncil@yahoo.com)

**2021/2022 Term**

Parent Council will work together with the school to organise events throughout 2021/2022.

* Halloween pumpkin trail and dress up with donations being split between the Parent Council and a charity of the pupils choosing FM / CB.
* Virtual Christmas Fair to be held over a weekend towards the end of November with all funds raised going to the school FM/PY.

**Other Business**

* AR proposed that a subcommittee be setup for parents/carers who would be willing to assist the Parent Council by looking into grants/fundraising ideas.
* Kilbarchan Primary School are currently sitting at seventeenth place within the school league table for Beat the Street Renfrewshire. CB suggested parents may be able to assist the school by chaperoning small groups of pupils between Beat Boxes within Kilbarchan. Pupils could bring their own fob to school and score 10 points for each Beat Box they swipe. FM agreed to look into pupils being able to participate in Beat the Street during school hours.
* PY raised concerns over inconsiderate/dangerous parking around the school. FM will flag again in next newsletter. FM will also contact police and will try to be a more visible presence on the corner of Meadside / Wheatlands Farm Road.
* Going forward the Parent Council will provide updates via the school newsletter as well as on the Parents Hub on Facebook to ensure that everyone is keep up to date on our activities.

Lastly a very big thank you to our outgoing Parent Council members Donna McShane and Iain Gardner for giving up their own time to be a part of our Parent Council which in turn benefited both the school and pupils greatly.

Remember the Parent Council are always happy to communicate suggestions, questions or concerns from parents/carers to the school. We want to support the staff of Kilbarchan Primary to make the school the best it can be!

As always if you would like to get in touch with the Parent Council, please contact the school office or email us direct via [Kilbarchan.ParentCouncil@yahoo.com](mailto:Kilbarchan.ParentCouncil@yahoo.com)

**Date of next meeting**

**21st October 2021 at 7pm**

**If you would be interested in attending, please contact the school office who will email you a Teams meeting link.**