

## **St Ninians PTC Minutes**

**31<sup>st</sup> January 2022**

**1830 – 1930**

### **1 Welcome**

Everyone was welcomed to the meeting, that was carried out remotely via Zoom. The opening prayer was offered. No invite was extended to Cllr Hunter due to the content of the meeting, but he will be invited to future meetings.

### **2 Approval of Previous Minutes**

Minutes were approved from 25<sup>th</sup> October as a fair and accurate representation of the meeting.

### **3 Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

The Chair and Vice Chair have both stepped down from their respective roles, so these roles need to be filled. Discussion held, minutes and finances were deemed to be the most important requirements. Suggestion of a Zoom meeting to discuss how best to progress. Secretary happy to continue in post. Class representative suggested also. Idea of rotating chair suggested. Impact of COVID discussed, with Head Teacher/Deputy Head Teacher offering support. Due to no offers of volunteers, this agenda item was returned to after Item 7. Following that item, attendees of the meeting offered to fulfil the roles, and were proposed and seconded. A new Chair, Vice Chair, and joint Treasurers were elected into the roles.

### **4 Head Teacher Report**

The new South Ayrshire Director of Education, Lindsay McRoberts (ex head at Kyle/Ayr Academy) has been well received, and she replaces Douglas Hutchison. Science showcase due in February/March, with science presentations to be completed by the students but not in the same way as pre-COVID. P3-5 Samba lessons are being enjoyed, although it's not clear if the children can share their music with parents with current guidelines. P5-6 are having Swimming Lessons, with P6-7 having outdoor activity sessions. Parents Evening will be 17<sup>th</sup> February via the phone. A new school uniform will be introduced (burgundy) – parents to receive communications around this soon. A request for feedback made about the weekly diary. Parent feedback was that it was clear and showed what was coming for the week ahead, so was well received. The school are trying not to showcase too much via social media due to child permissions. Learning sharing is being done via Twitter, whereas Showcasing achievements is being done via Seesaw. There is a suggestion to re-introduce the class zoom meetings for parents, with a survey due.

## **5 New School Update (Head Teacher)**

EYC manager interviews due in March, with the new school still on target for opening in August 2022. A Travel Plan is being worked on with Ayrshire Roads Alliance. There is a need to identify points where children would be happy walking to school with drop off away from the school gates. P6 are working on this, with parental consultation to occur in due course (short survey followed by a Teams Meeting). 4 drop off points to be considered with crossing patrol positions to be reviewed. A Joint Art project (with Glenburn) is being worked on for the atrium with local Art Teachers and artists with links to the school. Communication is key and COVID has had a definite effect.

## **6 Financial Report**

A financial report was given to the meeting based on the last known figures. The previous Chair was the only person who has the account details, so the Head Teacher will message her to obtain that.

## **7 PTC Requirements for the remainder of 2022 Academic Year**

The Head Teacher was asked for funding requests. Traditionally, P7 yearbook has been provided by the PTC, with no gift paid for communion but the PTC pay for a photograph. The Head Teacher took an action to collate a list, plus a wishlist, and email the Secretary as soon as possible.

## **8 AOB**

No other business, however the question was asked about an Easter event. An easter picnic with bouncy castles, as an informal social event was suggested but the new committee decided they need to time get acclimatised, so these ideas will be discussed at a later date.

## **9 Date and Time of Next Meeting**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February, 6.30pm via Zoom. Invite to be sent out via Xpressions.

*The Closing Prayer was omitted and the meeting ended.*