

## Straiton Primary School Parent Council EGM

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**Sederunt:** J. Williams, S. Agnew, B. Connolly (councillor), C-A. Dunlop (treasurer), L. Candlish (head teacher), E. Carroll (acting p.t.), A. Hardy, L. McWhirter, K. Kidd (chair), G. Bacon, R. Colquhoun.

**1 Welcome:** Karen welcomed everyone to the EGM which had been called as the secretary had had to stand down.

**2 Jen volunteered to take on the role of secretary.** Proposed by Gerald and seconded by Andrew, Jen was duly appointed.

Karen thanked Jen and the EGM was closed, followed by the scheduled meeting of the parent council.

## Meeting of the Straiton Primary School Parent Council

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**Sederunt:** as for EGM

### 1 Welcome and apologies

Karen welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were no apologies.

### 2 Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted and matters arising would be dealt with during the course of the meeting.

### 3 Head teacher's report

- a) **Staffing:** Mrs Barclay had a baby girl on 1<sup>st</sup> March.  
Mrs Riddicks is now in post Monday to Thursday at Straiton and Friday at Kirkmichael.
- b) **Pupil numbers:** one child was enrolled for the nursery on 26<sup>th</sup> February. In the past two weeks five children have been enrolled in the school, taking the numbers to 17, a very positive step.
- c) **Education Scotland Report:** as intimated at the last meeting, the Leadership Panel took place on 12<sup>th</sup> February. This is an opportunity for all elected members to question the head teacher on the content of the report. After this the leader of the council, Douglas Campbell, congratulated all at Straiton Primary School for their hard work which was evident through the strengths highlighted.
- d) **Residential:** the information session for the residential stay at Inverclyde has taken place.
- e) **Fundraising:** the sponsored cross country on 1<sup>st</sup> March was extremely successful and another great example of the school and community working together. A final total of £385 was raised.
- f) **Trips:** both Kelvingrove Museum and Girvan Lifeboat Station trips have taken place and were very successful. In light of the number of recent trips and the poor weather, the trip to Culzean has been rescheduled to term 4. While the increased roll is a positive factor it does mean that transporting children in staff cars will not always be possible and therefore extra costs for transport will have to be factored in.
- g) **Parental questionnaires:** almost all were extremely positive and give ideas for improving practice.
- h) **Decoration:** the staff room and office have been painted and now co-ordinate with the rest of the school.

**4 Funds:** the recent whist brought in £189, bringing the total in the bank to £881.76. Calendar money is to be added. The balance for the residential trip is due at £140 x 4 pupils.

**5 Fund raising:** parents had been asked about ideas for fund raising and suggestions were for a beetle drive and/or a bingo night. It was agreed that a beetle drive would be held on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May at 7pm.

The school will also have a stall at Kirkmichael Gala on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May.

There was a question about how much was needed in funds for the rest of the session and to what purpose would the funds be put. Outdoor equipment would be purchased and the pupils will be consulted about their preferences.

**6 Correspondence:** nil.

**7 AOCB:** Easter Closing Service will be on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 11am.

**8 Date of next meeting:** Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7pm

Jeanette Heggs  
19<sup>th</sup> March 2019