

Minute of Whalsay Parent Council AGM in Whalsay Primary School on 13 September 2022

Present

Odette Anderson
Marie Manson
Maria Kay
Zoe Williamson
Marie Polson
Margaret Leask
Debbie Polson
Julie Reid
Louise Laurenson
June Thomson
Amanda Williamson
Gina Sandison

In Attendance

Garry Spence
Denise Johnson
Pauline Irvine

Apologies – Heather Williamson (sub Maria Kay)

Minute of Last AGM

The minute of the AGM held on 7 October 2021 was approved by Marie and seconded by Louise.

Chair's Report

Odette welcomed everyone to the meeting. She thanked the outgoing reps for their contribution.

She said that the Parent Council aimed to meet once a term and asked reps who couldn't attend to ask their class if another parent could come in their place, so that all classes were represented at all the meetings.

She went on to say that it was good to have a group set up, on what's app, messenger or facebook, for your class with a parent added for each child as this enables the rep to relay information easily.

The role of the PC is to support the school in its work. Represent the views of the parents and carers, and encourage links between school, parents, carers, pupils, pre-school groups and the wider community. Individual staff members, families and bairns cannot be discussed at PC meetings. Concerns at this level must be taken to the school.

Leona Sandison will be arranging the cauliflower cards again. There is an earlier deadline than usual of 7 October. This will mean the cards can be available sooner. The proceeds

from that goes to the parent council. Last year we got £93. Thank you to Leona for taking the time to arrange this.

Thank you to Garry and Brian for working on the poly crub application. We got £4600 for that.

Odette also thanked Pauline, Leona and their team for all they did with the Jubilee celebrations.

The only fundraiser we have had in the past year was the online auction which was very well supported. Odette thanked everyone who donated and placed bids. The total raised was £3587.

The Research and Zephyr fishing companies also donated £500 each. Thank to them for that.

Odette finished her report by saying that Brian Irvine, who has been treasurer for a number of years, will be standing down next year. During his final year it would be useful to think about who may replace him.

Treasurer's Report

The balance last year was £4,665.58 and this year is a healthy £5322.47. There was an old account with £245 in it which was used for the Clerk. It was agreed it should be closed and the money added to the main parent council account.

Head Teacher's Report

Attached.

Election of Office Bearers

Chair – Marie Manson

Vice Chair – Zoe Williamson

Fundraising Secretary – Gina Sandison, Louise Laurenson and Margaret Leask

Treasurer – Brian Irvine remains in office

Clerk – Anita Sparrow

AOCB

No AOCB

Date of Next Meeting

4 October 2022 at 5.30pm in the Primary School.