



Annual General Meeting and Parent Council Meeting

Wednesday 6th October 2021

Held via Zoom call

1. Welcome, Apologies and Opening Remarks

Present: Mrs Sandilands, Mr Bamford, Councillor Loudon, 11 parents and Peter (Scotcrest).

Apologies: Councillors Fulton and Brogan

- Deborah welcomed everyone to the AGM/ parent council meeting.
- The minutes of the last meeting were approved with one sentence under agenda item 1.1 to be amended – Emma will update the minutes and circulate.

2. AGM – Annual Summary of Parent Council Business and Appointment of Office Bearers for 2021/22

- Deborah had emailed out her annual summary to members of the parent council.
- Deborah expressed thanks to all involved in the parent council and reminded all members of the valuable work that has been achieved in the past two years during her tenure as Chairperson.
- Office bearers for the period 21/22 were agreed:
 - ❖ Chairperson – Emma Sharp (approved by Deborah and Neil)
 - ❖ Vice Chairperson – Neil (approved by Deborah and Emma)
 - ❖ Secretary – Leanne (approved by Deborah and Emma)
 - ❖ Treasurer – Lynsey (approved by Deborah and Aileen)
- Emma expressed thanks to Deborah for her input during these unprecedented times.

3. School Uniform – new supplier discussion

- Peter advised the parent council of the history of Scotcrest, which was founded in 1994 and supplies to over 250 schools and nurseries solely in the Lanarkshire area.
- Peter expressed that he is committed to customer service and he strives to ensure that there are stock available in advance to prevent service issues.
- Parents can visit the Hamilton store in Quarry Street (the old Alston's shop), items can be ordered online with click and collect or delivery available.
- Peter suggested that parents purchase items in the middle of July.
- Peter confirmed that there had been some supply issues this year which had affected many uniform suppliers.
- Peter will give Emma some samples of uniform to test out for quality. A uniform leaflet can be given to all parents.

- Peter advised that Scotcrest has never lost a school contract and he would ensure that parents receive their orders on time unless there is some delay. If there are any delays parents will be informed of the delay ASAP.
- Parents expressed their frustrations at the current uniform supplier, Blossoms. One parent still awaits a refund on items placed.
- Consensus held by members of the parent council that confidence is lost with Blossoms and another supplier is needed.
- Emma will test out the samples provided and further discussion can take place at next months parent council meeting on this matter.

4. Councillors' Reports

- Councillor Loudon advised that the catchment review paper has been passed at executive committee stage and a review will be undertaken. Parents will have the opportunity to contribute to this review.
- Issues continue with discolouration of water. Scottish Water have advised that there is no easy fix to this
- The telephone mast has been rejected. Many objections were made and a proposal has been made to discuss alternative sites with the provider, Three Mobile.
- A public meeting was held in relation to pavements and roads at Scottish specials properties. An action plan is to be agreed.

4. Head Teacher Report

See appended report

- It was discussed that not all parents are getting emails sent from the school – Mrs Sandilands stated that delivery failure messages are received if delivery has been unsuccessful. School will investigate this.
- One parent queried the uniform for gym days – it was confirmed that children can wear their gym clothes to school on gym days, and that children should wear their uniform on all other days.
- A request was made for the breakfast club google form to be able to tell you if you have already submitted the form to prevent parents from double booking. Mrs Sandilands welcomed this feedback and will amend this,

5. Date of next meeting

- Wednesday 3rd November 2021 via Zoom. Invites to follow