

Black Mount Primary School - Parent Council Meeting Minutes FINAL - 11th January 2023

Present: Kirsten Jenkins, Corrie Ward, Emma Ives, Katie Hobbs, Gregor Doyle, Lindsay McLaughlin (teacher) *quorum is 7

Apologies: Wendy Kinloch, Jim Kinloch, Alison Boyd, Tracey Pritchard (left after community consultation), Trina Malone, Dan Brunton, Jenni Dods, Nick Tucker, Alistair Muirhead.

**Parent Forum: term refers to all parents/carers of any pupil in the school*

Community consultation (6-7pm):

- Members of the community, parent council members (Tracey Pritchard, Emma Ives, Katy Hobbs, Gregor Doyle), teacher Lindsay McLaughlin, Ruth McElhinney from CCI Lanark
- Some great ideas were discussed including a brilliant theme around 'garden of words' drawing on the rich legacy in black mount of Little Sparta/ Ian Hamilton Finlay and Rosebank Cottage / Hugh McDiarmid

Outside space:

- Pagoda/Gazebo:
 - No update as Alistair not present.
 - Total agreed was £3020 - which was approved by everyone in room (7 people - quorum according to constitution)
 - Proposed installation dates from December meeting were: 18+19 and 25+26 Feb

Social:

- Film Night 3rd February at Biggar Corn Exchange
 - Ask Trina to arrange float for night - liaise with school about borrowing theirs
 - Children to get three film choices, RSVP/booking forms in bags to parents
 - Publicise wider if spaces remain

Fundraising:

- Fundraising activities:
 - Emma submitted a VASLAN Building Connected Communities application and we have been awarded £2.5k for outdoor space activity including: polytunnel, tools, outdoor box, sports equipment. Money should be in account in Jan-23. A report needs filed on activity and spend
 - Katie and Emma taking outcomes of community consultation to submit funding bid to SLC Sustainable Development Fund on 18th
 - Black Mount Community Council Funding:
 - Invited by secretary of BMCC to submit further funding applications

AOB: AOB carried to next meeting given low attendance

Next meetings: Full meeting at school 1st February 2023, 7-9pm