

DRUMOAK SCHOOL COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting – 12 September 2017

PRESENT: G Robertson, P Wilson, G McPetrie, V Stewart, M Slater, L Mackinnon, K Warren, M Fraser, G Redman, N Reith, S Smithers, J Johnson

APOLOGIES: F Thomson, K Lennox, V Anderson, J Currie, L Rose

The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

School Council Logo

S Smithers shared examples, on behalf of JC. The selection was narrowed down to two. GM to ask JC if it is possible to combine elements of both, into one final design. If a combined design is not possible, the two existing designs will be put to the vote at the next meeting. It was suggested that some colour could be added to the final design.

ACTION GM
& JC

Christmas Dates

Pantomime – Cinderella Rockerfella:

Evening Ticketed Performance for parents, 13 December.

Morning Performance for other family members etc, 14 December

Nursery Nativity – 15 December

P4-7 Party, 1.45pm, 20 December – Helpers Janine & Vicky S

P1-3 Party, 1.45pm, 21 December – Helpers Karen, Susan S & Marion S

Nursery Party, morning, 21 December

Helpers to organise juice and cake for P1-3 and 4-7 parties.

GR to approach 'Santa' for P1-3 and Nursery parties.

Gifts ordered from Tarland Toy Shop

ACTION
HELPERS

ACTION GR

Church Service will be dependent upon the Church renovations being complete, it may take place on 22 December, in school.

Fundraising Report

A replacement will be needed, to co-ordinate/lead the fundraising group, pulling efforts together and feeding back to school council meetings regularly.

LM, GM, KW, MS & VS will remain part of the group.

The projector has arrived and was tested during the meeting, the result is fantastic. Movie nights could be in place between now and Christmas, Louise to lead.

SS will find out how screenings are organised at Hill of Banchory. MF and MS fed back that Peterculter charge £3 for drink and snack, their licence is around £190 per year but PW added that there are cheaper options, around £100.

Late afternoons, in winter months, were suggested. It was discussed that older children may prefer to have separate screenings – eg P1-4 and P5-7 separately. It was agreed that the minimum age would be school nursery age, to minimise disruption.

The first movie night will be Sunday 29 October, 4.00pm.

ACTION LM &
FUNDRAISING
GROUP

The fundraising group will meet at LM's house on 27 September, to plan.

GM will organise Christmas card fundraiser with The School Fundraising Company and will liaise with school on this.

ACTION GM

GR is participating in the Illuminator Run, to raise funds for PE equipment. Miss Hutcheon and Mr Witt will come up with a wish list. A sponsor form will be put in the school office.

Head Teacher's Report

1. Sharing assemblies will continue to be held on Friday afternoons.
2. Parents are encouraged to attend next week's Growth Mindset Workshop.
3. PW asked if there had been any progress with the Nursery Uniform and will discuss with Miss Sangster, with a view to having a decision made by January, so that the uniform can be on offer for the next academic year. ACTION PW
4. New teaching staff have settled in very well.
5. Mrs Grieve gave birth to a baby boy. Her return to work will possibly be mid-June 2018, but this would not affect the current classes.
6. The projector has arrived and movie nights can now be organised.
7. PE T-shirts in house colours – aim to have cost and design agreed by January, so that these can be available for the next academic year. ACTION NR
8. The school will be involved in Grampian Television's 'Big Breakfast' on 13 October, P7 pupils will be involved in this event, along with Mains of Drum Garden Centre, with a visit from one of the STV presenters.
9. PW expressed his thanks for everyone's efforts last year and looks forward to the year ahead.

Correspondence

An email was received to ask why Woodwind was no longer being offered to P5 pupils – Mr Wilson explained that there were no further spaces for Woodwind Tuition. GM will ask FT if she would be willing to make further contact with the department, to find out if provision can be extended further. ACTION GM

LM is applying for wind farm funding and is exploring the possibility of an outdoor classroom, similar to one at Lairhillock School. LM asked if we would be limited to approved suppliers in the Council's procurement system, PW explained that we would not be restricted because it would be financed by money generated from fundraising, not publically funded money. A possible location, close to the football pitch entrance was discussed. LM is to find out about how, and how often, Lairhillock use their classroom. PW explained that this would be a costly item and we would need to ensure it was well used. ACTION LM

AOCB

- School photographs – GM to sort replies and create timetable by the end of the week. ACTION GM
- GM commented that by the time minutes are approved at the next meeting and shared with the rest of the school, they can be quite out of date and events have come and gone. GM suggested that the minutes be approved by e-mail, allowing PW to share them the following week. It was agreed that the minutes would be shared promptly, by e-mail, after meetings. Members should feed back any amendments by the Friday and PW will share in the following Monday email update. ACTION ALL

Next Meeting – Tuesday 7 November, 7.00 pm

Fundraising Meeting – Louise MacKinnon's house – 27 September