

# MINUTES

**Woodside Primary Parent Council**  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020: 7pm**  
**Staff Room, Woodside Primary School**

**Attending** Claire Thom, Jaclyn Robertson, Gareth Thomson, Lucy Colligan, Jonny Simpson, Lynn Daly, Rhona McRae, Jonathan Byers, Michelle McQuade, Sarah McCready, Gwen Sinclair, Elizabeth Fletcher, Amanda Strachan, Lori Thom, Cllr Nailon, Cllr Lowe, Cllr Ross, Charlotte Officer, Sandra Farrance and Elaine Renwick.

**Apologies:** Anne Marie Canale, Angela MacLennan, Julie Sneddon, Kristina McKean, Vivianne Wilkie, Louise McRobbie, Barry Naismith, Fiona Hanlan and Carol White

## **Introduction and Welcome:**

Jonathan Byers welcomed everyone to the meeting, in particular our new members. Jonathan chairing meeting in Julie's absence. The minutes of the previous meeting 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019 were approved.

## **GDPR**

Anyone not sent permission to hold their data to [woodsideparentcouncil@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:woodsideparentcouncil@hotmail.co.uk) was asked to do so ASAP.

**Treasurer's report** [as attached] – healthy bank balance even with projected costs. Money obtained from First Direct by Lori Thom as her involvement in both the Christmas card fundraiser and discos will be used to fund science and food technology expenditure – so projected cost can be removed. 2 entries for citizenship awards – duplicated entry in error.

## **Councillors Update**

MUGA will be redone, not resurfaced but we are at end of list as they are being replaced in the order they were done.

Closure off of link to Silvertonhill via Abercorn looks unlikely to go ahead from results of survey carried out, no official announcement yet.

Council rejected suggestion of free parking on top storey of Duke Street car park – see attached letter from Cllr Ross.

Cost of buses on school trips was mentioned, Cllr Ross advised that the SLC fleet of buses is available for such outings if not being used elsewhere. Cllr Ross to pass contact details to Elaine. Lynn Daly will make contact to see if bus can be obtained for school trips.

## **Christmas Cards**

Raised approx. £1100 profit. Lori Thom involved with Christmas cards so able to claim percentage of profit from First Direct.

## **Bags2School**

Last Bags2School only raised £68.40. Have rebooked Bags2School for Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May [day after parents night] and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October.

## **Discos**

Sportsworx not successful as last discos so looking for suggestions. Mark at Future Stars no longer able to do discos. Email was sent out regarding this but only 1 suggestion was received. WAS events was only suggestion received but they are more of an events provider and are significantly more expensive. Cllr Ross mentioned that Chatelherault P.S. seemed happy with their disco provider. **Lori Thom to contact friend at Chatelherault P.S. to get name of provider. 'Wanted' advert to go onto web page** to see if any parent would be willing to DJ and Parent Council could purchase lights etc.

Disco to be postponed to March to give additional time find someone to run the Discos.

## **School Photographs**

Tempest booked for Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September – there will be a request for help on the day nearer the time.

### **Bikeability/Sports Days**

Sarah able to run bikeability on Tuesdays or Thursdays – class teachers to arrange. **Charlotte Officer to arrange training for some of those involved. Claire to forward to Charlotte names of those interested.**

Cllr Ross reiterated that there is a link now with Bike Town in Rutherglen to provide bikes to children unable to participate in Bikeability. They have 24 bikes they keep maintained that can be loaned to schools. Contact Cllr Ross for more details if required.

**Sports Days are the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> June this year.**

### **P7 Hoodies**

Cost has increased to £17 – parent council approved maintaining cost to parents at £5, parent council will meet the remainder of the cost.

### **Swimming Gala**

Sponsorship for Swimming caps – Amanda has contacted Amanda at Michael Jamieson to see if they would be willing to sponsor team and purchase swimming caps, she is waiting to hear back. Parent council approved purchase of swim caps (£3.75/cap) if sponsorship not obtained. Amanda advised that there would be a cost for the pool hire for the try outs prior to the swimming gala – usually £30. Waiting on information regarding the gala being sent to schools – usually sent out at start of February. Amanda, Kelly and Michelle will run team for swimming gala. Lynn and Lucy offered to help on the night.

### **Fundraising:**

Summer Fayre – date set for Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Spring Tea – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March. Will ask for donations rather than make a charge for tickets as trying to keep the costs to parents low and not have a lot of events at any one time. Entire school will learn same songs, Children will perform in houses in one hour time slots. 2 tickets/child. Tea/coffee and a biscuit provided. **P6/7 to write to Patersons, Tunnocks and Borders** to see if we can get donations. **Volunteers to help with tea/coffee etc to email parent council email address.**

Going forward school propose to have 4 dress down days per year at £1 donation in place of a large school fundraiser. There will be 2 dress down days between now and June – Valentine's day and near to the May holiday.

### **Headteacher's update:**

- Enrolment week this week- numbers looking healthy already. Can't finalise classes for next school year until P1 numbers finalised and this looks potentially like taking longer than in previous years as no letters sent out to kids in nurseries.
- Staff thank you sent in for their Twinkl account renewal.
- Open event will take place shortly – as before will take place over 2 days and be in houses to limit numbers in classes. Senior management will work on values with children went it's not their house for the open event. Open event will focus on talk for writing.
- Request that parent council provide a fund to the school to be ear marked for school trips as want to try to ensure children get either school trips or events such as the Romans coming into the school but want to keep cost to parents to £5. **Budget of £1400 suggested and approved by parent council – profit from discos plus top up to £1400. Need to add this to our projected cost outlay.**

### **AOCB:**

Charlotte – school will be looking at the playground improvement plan. Area in front of climbing wall mentioned as it is swampy and unusable – Cllr Ross to investigate if this falls under fabric of building and should be maintained.

Cllr Ross – breakfast clubs been a huge success, looking to see if parents could be asked to help eventually to reduce staff burden.

**Date of next meeting: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020**