

Dalziel High School Parent Teachers' Association
Minutes of A.G.M. at Dalziel High School
Monday 13th May, 2013

Present – Margaret Pollock, Liz Cunningham, John Hinton, Julie McLeod, Cheryl Percy, Caroline Wilson, Robert Birch, Jaclyn Lennon, Wendy Hall, Elaine Dougan, Diane McLaughlan, Elaine Spreckley, Jacqui Agnew, Jacqui Friel, Janette Watson, Evelyn Dickson

Apologies – None

Chairman's Remarks – Margaret opened the meeting by welcoming everyone present. She advised that the meeting was the Annual General Meeting.

Minutes - The minutes of the last AGM held on Monday 14th March 2011 were agreed, proposed by Julie McLeod and seconded by John Hinton. There was one correction – Gillian Abercrombie had been appointed as a teacher within the Chemistry department.

Correspondence - There was no correspondence to report.

Treasurer's Report – Julie thanked everyone involved in the various fundraising activities throughout the year and provided copies of the Income and Expenditure Account to all present.

Funds had been raised through the Christmas raffle, quiz night and the new venture of providing teas & coffees at concerts and school show.

During the course of the year, the PTA had donated £900 towards the purchase of a new school minibus and £450 for Choral Shield expenses (£150 per house).

The application for the new gambling licence will require to be applied for (£20) and the SPTC insurance for the new academic year will also be required in July/August. This will leave a small balance to start off fundraising in 2013/2014.

There was a marked increase in profits from the Christmas Raffle mainly due to the increase in ticket price which didn't seem to have an effect on quantity of tickets sold. Ways to increase ticket sales will be explored next term.

Anne Iggo was proposed and seconded as the independent auditor

Last Year's events - Margaret provided a summary of some of the guest speakers/events from last year's PTA session, including the following:

- Presentations on Curriculum for Excellence by Jennifer DiMambro and Robert Birch
- Presentation on Pupil support by Patti Owens
- Various discussions and information from staff about issues affecting the school eg 33 period week, proposed NLC savings, CfE etc
- PTA Christmas raffle

- S1 intake evening
- PTA Quiz night

Margaret thanked Robert and his staff for their regular attendance, commitment and support during the last session.

School Matters - Robert gave an update on school matters:

1. Staffing
We now have Peter Morton as supply teacher in Chemistry to cover Maternity Leave for Katy Toner. Two members of staff are retiring at the end of the year: Corrine Blackstock from English Department and Rosemary McIntyre from Support for Learning
2. NLC have provided the school with 100 new computers which are now nearly all installed across the school.
3. The Sponsored Walk this year will be on Friday 14th June. The money raised will be used to refurbish the changing rooms at Dalziel Park.
4. SQA Examinations are going well. E. Kelly is now our Chief Invigilator
5. The Dalzielian will be on sale in June. Price kept at £12 which is heavily subsidised
6. Science Fayre on 6th and 7th June .
7. We have had to change the date of our Sports Day due to clashes with other events and difficulties getting buses. New date now Monday 17th June pm.
8. School Improvement Plan and School Improvement Report will be available later this month.
9. S1 intake has been set at 180 pupils . We have 119 catchment pupils and 61 placing requests accepted. Approx 30 Placing Requests were not granted.
10. Budget Cuts – more information is becoming available on the impact of budget cuts. We will lose 30 hours per week of clerical support. We will have a cut in Management Time (still to be decided how this will be implemented). The 33 period week will go ahead for all NLC schools in August 2014 and this will be the same model for all NLC schools. There will be a cut in staffing at this time.
11. School survey results are on the website
12. School show will be “Back to the 80s” – rehearsals are now well underway

Committee –

- As Margaret Pollock's son was leaving school, Margaret was retiring from the committee. Liz Cunningham also intimated her desire to step down.
- The new committee was elected as follows:

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| President | Evelyn Dickson | Margaret Pollock | Wendy Hall |
| Vice President | Cheryl Percy | Liz Cunningham | Evelyn Dickson |
| Treasurer | Jacqui Friel | Julie McLeod | Margaret Pollock |
| Secretary | Julie McLeod | Margaret Pollock | Elaine Dougan |
| Membership | Elaine Hamilton | Julie McLeod | Evelyn Dickson |

Forthcoming events:

- S1 intake evening – Wed 5 June. Volunteers required to attend the evening to encourage the new S1 parents to join the PTA. Lifetime membership fee was agreed as £1 as previous years.
- PTA Quiz night – Mon 10 June. Tickets are £5 per person which includes a glass of wine or 2 soft drinks. Everyone is encouraged to come along and take part. After discussion, it was agreed to hold the event on a Monday evening again but this will be reviewed next term depending on numbers.
- Sponsored walk – Fri 14 June. Volunteers are required to assist pupils crossing the road into Strathclyde Park where there are no pedestrian lights.

The school made presentations to Margaret and Liz to thank them for their hard work and dedication to the PTA.

Everyone was then treated to a quality performance by pupils from the Music Department including the new ceilidh band. Evelyn thanked Mr Farr and the pupils for providing the entertainment.

Evelyn made a presentation to Margaret on behalf of the PTA committee.

The next meeting was arranged for 7.30 pm on Monday 9th September 2013 with the PTA quiz on Monday 10 June 2013. Evelyn closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.