DALZIEL HIGH SCHOOL

PARENT COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at 7.00 pm on Thursday 4th October 2012

in the School Conference Room

Present:	Mr Robert Birch	-	Head Teacher
	Mrs Moyra Scott	-	Chairperson
	Dr Neil Richardson	-	Parent Member
	Mrs Ann Carroll	-	Parent Member
	Mrs Irene McKenna	-	Parent Member
	Mrs Deborah King	-	Parent Member
	Mrs Margaret Craw	-	Staff Member
	Mrs Jennifer DiMambro	-	Staff Member
	Mr Dominic Farr	-	Staff Member
	Mrs Rona Whittaker	-	Clerk

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Sadia Ahmed and Marc Fleming.

2 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true and accurate record of events.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

There were no matters arising to discuss.

4 RECTOR'S REPORT

4.1 Staffing

We are interviewing next Tuesday for two Maths posts.
We are currently running an advert for an English Teacher (with some interest in Drama to cover Maternity Leave in the Drama Department)

We have a number of teachers starting Maternity Leave:

Katie Toner (Chemistry) – we hope to have a cover teacher next week
Claire Kelly (P/T Drama) – cover required after October Break
Louise Kerr (Business Studies) is returning on 19/11/12 but we require cover for her post now.

4.2 Remembrance Service

The Remembrance Service will be held on Sunday 11th November in the Assembly Hall followed by Tea and Coffee in the Staff Room.

4.3 Budget Cuts

North Lanarkshire Council have announced they need to make savings of £73million over the next 3 years. Learning and Leisure savings have to be £42million. The Council have announced a series of proposals on how to make these savings. These proposals will be open to public consultation before any further announcements. The Parent Council will be kept updated on any developments.

4.4 School Show

Rehearsals are going well for the School Show, Hairspray. The show is now sold out for all four nights and we will now hold an open dress rehearsal on Sunday 7th October at a price of £2.

As the tickets for this year's school show sold so quickly Jaclyn Lennon is looking into whether it would be possible to hold the school show in the Civic Centre as it holds 400 people. Costing will be done to see whether this would be feasible.

4.5 Curriculum for Excellence

All Departments are now moving forward with their courses for Curriculum for Excellence. Jennifer Di Mambro will give a presentation to the Parent Council at the next meeting.

A decision has been made with Principal Teachers that our current S1 pupils will make their option choices at the end of S2 and will then work towards the new National Examinations in S4.

4.6 SQA results

Appeals are back for Higher and a good number of our pupils got their appeals.

5 TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no change to report.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to report.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to discuss.

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting Thursday 1st November 2012.