



DALZIEL HIGH SCHOOL

PARENT COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at 7.00 pm on Thursday 1st November 2012

in the School Conference Room

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

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Sadia Ahmed, Ann Carroll and Margaret Craw.

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

The Parent Council thought the School Show was Fantastic. They appreciate the amount of effort involved for Staff and Pupils. They also thought the live band were excellent.

4 RECTOR'S REPORT

4.1 Staffing

We have appointed two new Maths teachers – Julie Carirns and Dr Leigh Ann Scott and both are already in post.

The interviews for the English post are being held on Monday 5th November.

Maternity Cover:

In Drama cover for Claire Kelly is being provided by Bill McGuinness

Business Education – Sylvia Dickson is returning on Monday 5th November and Louise Kerr is returning on Monday 19th November. J Donnachie from Maths is covering some Business Education Classes.

Chemistry – We have had problems getting Maternity Cover for Katie Toner and we are making changes to the timetable to make use of existing staff to minimise disruption to classes. As we have appointed two new Maths teachers Ann Marie Smillie will be covering some Science classes.

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 now provided a number of Question and Answer sheets. R Birch will keep the Parent Council updated.

4.4 Recent Events

School Show – The School Show went very well. A large number of pupils benefited from taking part.

S5/6 Halloween Dance – This was well attended with 110 senior pupils joining in and the SMT are delighted with how it went.

House Trips – The S1 House Trips are taking place this week and next week to the Bowling at M&D's. The House Officials have been responsible for the organisation of these trips and have done a great job.

4.5 Curriculum for Excellence

Jennifer Di Mambro gave a presentation to the Parent Council about Curriculum for Excellence and what it means for Dalziel High School.

4.6 SQA results

Appeals are due in for Standard Grade and Intermediate levels.

4.7 SEEMIS

Period by Period registration is now fully implemented.

Using SEEMIS for tracking and monitoring pupil progress is now being implemented for S4, S5 and S6.

4.8 Customer Service Excellence Award

Robert Sullivan will be re-visiting the school on the 18th December.

4.9 Inter-House Public Speaking

The Inter-House Public Speaking competition will be held on Tuesday 6th November at 7pm in the Assembly Hall. This involves 1 pupil from each house for each year group S2 – S6 writing their own speeches and presenting them.

4.10 Refurbishment

The refurbishment of the toilets will be completed this week and a number of areas around the school are getting new flooring.

5 TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no change to report.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to report.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Scotland on Sunday is running a Music for All campaign for free tuition and Deborah King and Dominic Farr will organise a notice for the School website highlighting this campaign and explaining how you can support it.

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is Thursday 6th December 2012.