

#### DALZIEL HIGH SCHOOL

## PARENT COUNCIL

# Minutes of meeting held at 7.00 pm on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2013

## 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
Mr Dominic Farr - Staff Member
Mrs Margaret Craw - Staff Member

Mrs Rona Whittaker - Clerk

## 1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Jennifer Di Mambro, Ann Carroll and Sadia Ahmed.

## 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

Louise McCarron returns from Maternity Leave on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March and Gillian Douglas returns on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March, both English Department. Mr Derek Williamson, English supply teacher will leave on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

Clare Kelly, Drama, will return on 27<sup>th</sup> March.

#### 4.2 Options

S2 pupils have had the opportunity to change their option choices and so far Miss Lennon had 40-50 enquiries.

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#### 4.3 S1 Intake

Our S1 intake for August has been agreed with North Lanarkshire Council and will be 180 pupils.

# 4.4 **Spring Concert**

Our Spring Concert has been moved from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March to Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March due to a clash with a NLC concert.

#### 4.5 Education Scotland

Two members from Education Scotland will be visiting the school on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March. The focus of their visit will be 'Creativity' and they will visit 5 lessons and hold a number of discussion groups with pupils and staff.

#### 4.6 Visit

We have agreed to host a visit from a group of German pupils later this month.

## 4.7 Health Fayre

The annual health fayre has started well. It was opened by Rona Corkindale, Captain of Scotland's Basketball Team. The theme this year is Switch It – Ditch It eg Switch to Fruit – Ditch the Sweets.

Staff and senior pupils have now donated over 1000 units of blood.

# 4.8 New Computers

NLC will be supplying the school with 100 new computers over the next few months.

#### 4.9 Dalziel Park

We are currently holding talks with NLC, Sports Scotland, SRU and the SFA to try to obtain funding to replace the synthetic pitches at Dalziel Park with new 3G pitches.

#### 4.10 Budget Cuts

NLC have released further documents regarding the Budget Cuts but we still don't have enough information to know how this will affect Dalziel High School.

#### 4.11 Primary 7 visits

Robert Birch and Jennifer Di Mambro are visiting the P7s in our feeder primaries along with 2 1<sup>st</sup> year pupils.

## 5 TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no change to report.

# 6 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to report.

# 7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Parent Council meeting in June was discussed as the senior prom is being held on the same night and it was agreed to move the Parent Council meeting to Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June.

# 8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2013.