



DALZIEL HIGH SCHOOL

PARENT COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at 7.00pm on Thursday 3rd March 2016

in the School Conference Room

Present:	Mr Robert Birch	-	Head Teacher
	Mrs Irene McKenna	-	Parent Member
	Mrs Margery Lilly	-	Parent Member
	Mrs Irene McAlpine	-	Parent Member
	Mrs Deborah King	-	Parent Member
	Mr David Forson	-	Parent Member
	Ms Alisha Steeds	-	School Captain
	Mrs Leeann Rattigan	-	Clerk

1 APOLOGIES

Mr Simon Jessney
Mrs Jennifer DiMambro
Mrs Fiona Conboy
Mr Ross Mitchell
Ms Rachel Beresford

2 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting held on 4th February 2016 were proposed by Irene McAlpine, seconded by Margery Lilly and were accepted as a true and accurate record of events.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

N/a

4 RECTOR'S REPORT

4.1 Staffing

Caroline Bleach has been appointed as Acting DHT when Fiona Conboy goes on Maternity leave.

Dr Leigh-Ann Scott was recently appointed as Principal Teacher of Mathematics.

We will now require Acting PT of Pupil Support for Greig House.

Interviews will take place for the PT Mathematics on Thursday 10th March, 5 applications so far have been received.

4.2 Health Fayre

The annual Health Fayre starts on Monday of next week.

4.3 Careers Fayre

The recent Careers Fayre was very well attended, it was noted that the use of texting parents this information produced a very high turnout.

4.4 NLC Standardisation

Changes to the School day – August 2016. There have been no parental enquires regarding the consultation on changing the school day.

4.5 Options Choices

S2 Option Choices and S4 & S5 Option Choices are now taking place. R Birch provided a copy of the Option Schedule for all to look over. J Martin will carry out Interviews with the pupils on a one to one basis for Higher Options. S4 Option forms (Yellow) have gone out along with the college options that are available to which J Martin will be coordinating also.

R Birch asked A Steeds her option on the formatting of the Options Schedule – A Steeds stated she liked the fact that the Higher Sciences are in Individual columns.

D King asked if the Intake Budget will be increased – R Birch advised that this had been brought in to save money.

R Birch also stated that they school will have to clarify what is covered in the way of transporting the children who uptake the college course option.

4.6 Coral Shield

R Birch asked A Steeds how their plans were shaping up, A Steeds advised they were having an issue with recruiting Band members – R Birch advised A Steeds to come and speak to him regarding so see what can be done.

4.7 Budget Cuts

Budget Settlement & Consultation Savings have now been issued under a 1 year budget.

Discussions took place over the following LLS accepted adjustments;

LLS011 – Changing the formula of what Class Room Assistants you will qualify for, this will be worked out on a ratio basis – Positives are that this will not result in any redundancies, people being moved to other schools to fill the present vacancies.

R Birch advised he does not know at present if DHS numbers will be reduced.

LLS012 – Office Staff, All schools will be affected, R Birch to confirm if DHS is over/below the formula threshold. R Birch advised DHS is currently working with 1 No Office Staff under.

LLS015 – Janitorial Services is not under LLS streamlined services, they may also take up the Based Location Model where the Janitors also take on the cleaning duties (South Lanarkshire Model).

5 TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no change to the report.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

N/a

7 A.O.B

D King to make a booking at DaClaudios for Thursday 2nd June, Invitation to be extended to Fiona Conboy who will be on Maternity leave.

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 12th May 2016.