

MINUTES

Dalziel High School Parents Information Evening AGM

12/03/2018 @ 19:30

In Attendance

Robert Birch, Jacqui Agnew, Leeann Rattigan, Karen Lannigan, Susan Malcolm, Jacqui Friel, Tony Paterson, Joanne Morrison, Joyce Gass, Lesley Wales, Donna McInnes, Sharon Wood, Valerie Bolat, Lorna Thomson, Alison Kerr, A Paterson, Heather Sheridan, A Ferguson, Ruth Logan, Diane McLaughlan, Wendy Hall, Shirley Bartynek.

Apologies

Evelyn Dickson, Jan Chalmers, Patti Owens.

Welcome

Karen Lannigan opened the meeting by thanking all the parents for their attendance at tonight's meeting, and advised there is a sign in sheet circulating.

Minutes of last meeting – previous minutes have been emailed to everyone on our mailing list and are available on the school website under "Community" tab then "Parent's Association". If you have not received this Agenda or the previous minutes by email please speak to a member of the committee.

Presentation – Claire Kelly, re-certification of Customer Care Service Excellence (Postponed).

The PTA committee needs your support if it is to continue supporting the school

Dalziel PTA committee cannot survive without all the help and support we receive from parents. Over the last few years several of our long term committee members have left the PTA as their children have graduated from the School. This year another member will leave and next year two more will be leaving as their children will also graduate. As you are aware with each agenda letter I ask if anyone would be interested in joining the committee, I understand that work and family commitments can be a factor in deciding to join the committee and I can reassure you that being on the committee will not eat into your free time. As it stands next year will be the last year we will have enough parents to run the PTA and the thought of no PTA at Dalziel high school is a disturbing one. With your support the PTA has raised large sums of money each year to help support the children at the school and this money has had a huge impact on the lives of the children.

Are you aware that in the last few years the PTA has helped raise money for a mini bus that is used to take your child on trips? We raised money to help implement bagpipes into the music curriculum, The football team benefit from the new spots kits we purchased, The netball team not only got new kits but we secured a sponsor for them who will continue to support future netball players. This year we sponsored the School show which befitted the children in the lower school and we support the upper school each year as we donate money to all three houses so they can put on the most amazing show at the choral shield. All of which would not be possible without your support but most importantly it would not be possible without the hard work from the committee members who drive all these events. Without the PTA none of these amazing benefits to the school mentioned above would be possible. I would therefore like to ask if you would be interested in joining Dalziel high school's PTA committee so we can continue to offer this amazing support to the school. I have been a part of the PTA for 5 years and I have enjoyed every minute and it pains me to think that without your support when I leave next year it could be the end of Dalziel high school's PTA.

Rector's Report

Rector Robert Birch presented his report, copy of the full report can be found under the news column on the website, alternatively why not Subscribe to receive the Rector's Monthly newsletter direct to your inbox.

<https://www.dalzielhigh.org.uk/news/newsletter.html>

➤ **Staffing**

We have appointed Melanie Clyde as PT of Grieg House. Melanie took u the post on 19th February.

Grant McCallum has been appointed as Acting DHT to cover Fiona Conboy's Maternity Leave which starts on Monday 19th March.

Margaret Craw will cover for Grant as Acting PT of Work, Enterprise and Vocational Education.

We will have six members of staff on Maternity leave in August.

➤ **School App**

Mrs DiMambro is working on establishing a DHS App that can be downloaded onto phones for parents and pupils and will enable us to pass school information. This should be rolled out for approximately June.

➤ **Education Scotland**

Last week we had two inspectors from Education Scotland spend the day in our school to look at the quality of Pupil Support and Health & Wellbeing. They met pupils, staff, parents and school partners. They gave us positive feedback at the end of the day but we will not get a written report.

➤ **School Repairs**

Four of the eight school boilers have now been replaced. The upgrade of the Home Economics area is now at the Design stage with NLC.

The Parent Council continues to meet with local councilors to discuss the upkeep of the building. We are particularly concerned about the poor state of the science labs.

➤ **Health Fayre**

The school health fayre went well last week but we cancelled the official launch as our guest speaker was unavailable and we lost setting up time due to the now days.

• **Option choices**

Option choices should now be well underway. Any questions or concerns please contact either Mrs DiMambro for S2 into S3 or Mrs Martin for S5 and S6.

Treasure's Reports

N/A

Upcoming Events

Spring Concert – Tuesday 27st March at 7pm.(not the 20th of March which was on the school calendar) The PTA supports this event by selling teas & coffee and raffles tickets. If anyone would like to volunteer to help on this day please let us know.

Quiz night – DATE: Friday 18th May 7:30pm PROPOSED VENUE: Dalziel bowling club (Directly across from Knowetop primary). This is a great opportunity to get a team together and come along and mingle with other parents/ teachers from the school. Don't worry if you don't have a team you can come along and join another team. We suggest that teams are limited to six members but this is only a guideline.

£8 Ticket price includes:

Quiz created by Quiz master Bill McCallum

DJ Disco

Supper buffet

Tickets are available at the door on the night. To help us organise seats and food if you are thinking of attending our quiz night please let us know by contacting us at Dalziel-pta@live.co.uk)

A.O.B

Raffle donations: We are always looking for raffle donations for upcoming events. If you have anything you would like to donate please bring it along to the meeting.

Next meeting: Monday 14th May 2018 - AGM will be part of this meeting. At the AGM we have pupils from the music department who give up their time to come along to play for us and I'd like to encourage as many people as possible to come along and enjoy the musical abilities

PTA committee – The PTA committee work hard throughout the year to raise money for the school. All the money we raise goes back into the school to help the school support the pupils. The only way this is made possible is with your continued support. If you are interested in finding out more about what the committee does or would like to be part of

the committee please contact us at Dalziel-pta@live.co.uk

This meeting is for our benefit – we're fortunate that the senior staff support it and are always willing to come along. If there's anything you'd like discussed, then please let us know.

Next Meetings

Dates: 14 May (AGM)

Meeting Closed
