

DALZIEL HIGH SCHOOL

PARENT COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at 7.00 pm on Thursday 6th December 2012

in the School Conference Room

Present: Mr Robert Birch - Head Teacher

Mrs Moyra Scott - Chairperson
Dr Neil Richardson - Parent Member
Sadia Ahmed - Parent Member
Mrs Irene McKenna - Parent Member
Mrs Deborah King - Parent Member
Mr Marc Fleming - Staff Member
Mr Dominic Farr - Staff Member

Mrs Rona Whittaker - Clerk

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Jennifer Di Mambro, Ann Carroll and Margaret Craw.

2 <u>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u>

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

3 <u>BUSINESS ARISING</u>

There were no matters arising to discuss.

4 RECTOR'S REPORT

4.1 Staffing

We have appointed Pamela Dodd to the permanent post in English and she will also be doing some Drama.

We have a vacancy in English for a supply teacher to cover maternity leave for Jennifer Craig.

Business Education – Sylvia Dickson returned from Maternity Leave on Monday 5th November and Louise Kerr returned on Monday 19th November.

Chemistry – Des Reilly has started as supply teacher for Katie Toner's Maternity Leave.

Lindsey Finlayson in the office has resigned with effect from January.

4.2 Assembly Hall

The painting of The Galleon has been returned to the school after being refurbished and will be hung in the Assembly Hall.

4.3 Events

The school choirs performed in Princes Square on Sunday.

The Christmas Dances are going ahead as planned.

The Church Service will be held on 20th December at 10.45am in St Marys.

The Music Dept is planning a Christmas performance at lunchtime on 17th December in the Assembly Hall.

4.4 Customer Service Excellence

The inspection went very well and we will retain two categories at Compliance PLUS and gain three more categories at this level.

4.5 Refurbishment

The refurbishment of the toilets has been completed.

A number of classrooms have been re-carpeted and Business Education Room 1 has been redesigned.

4.6 Timetable

We have had some discussion with staff about moving to a 33 period week. This may be imposed across NLC next August and we would be keen to move to this.

4.7 SEEMIS

Using SEEMIS for tracking and monitoring pupil progress is now being implemented for S4, S5 and S6. Pupils in S5 and S6 are being interviewed by SMT.

4.8 SQA Exams

The statistics for the schools performance in SQA exams has now been updated after the appeals. As expected these are now even better and the S5 results from last year are outstanding.

5 TREASURER'S REPORT

La Mirage have donated £150. R Birch will ask the Pupil Council how they would like the money to be spent.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to report.

7 <u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u>

The Captain and Vice Captain, Kirsty Webb and Cameron King, organised dress down day and a senior auction for Children in Need and raised £1500.

£1600 was raised from the 6K run for St Andrews Hospice.

The seniors are raising money for Micro Tyco. Each house is organising different events to raise money. Chris McFarlane organised tours of Firpark and raised over £600.

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting is Thursday 7th February 2013.