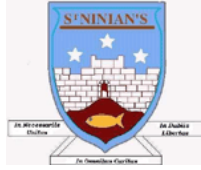


ST NINIAN'S HIGH SCHOOL
MINUTES OF PARENT COUNCIL MEETING



MONDAY 13 MAY 2019

PRESENT: MR P McLAUGHLIN (HT)
MRS J MacDONALD (Head of Education)
MRS S BOYLE (DHT)
MRS M HERON (PT Guidance)
MS M McCARNEY (Chair)
MRS Y WEBB (Vice Chair)
MRS A HENDERSON (Parent)
MR D CHAPPELLE (Parent)
MR D McCULLOCH (Parent)
MR E DALY (Parent)
MS S MacLEAN (Parent)
MRS M WILSON (Parent)
MR T BRESLIN (Church Rep)
Cllr J JAMIESON
MS L FAIRBAIRN (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: MR J O'DOWD (Parent)
MS K McCARTHY (Parent)
MRS E CAIRNEY (Parent & PTA Rep)
MR K McKENNA (Co-opted member)
Cllr S MURRAY

Ms McCartney welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The meeting started with the school prayer.

Mr McLaughlin introduced Mrs MacDonald to the meeting. Mrs MacDonald explained that she was attending the meeting to discuss transport and the rising school role and issued handouts to the members. She explained the contents of the handouts and discussed the increasing number of pupils joining St Ninian's from non-feeder primaries and asked for members views to be emailed to her. There will be a meeting for primary parents to find out the reasons why more are coming to St Ninian's, and other options will be looked at. A discussion followed. Mrs McCarney thanked Mrs MacDonald for attending and Mrs MacDonald left the meeting. A brief discussion followed.

Mrs McCarney asked members to introduce themselves for the sake of new members.

Previous Minutes: Agreed

Matters Arising: Insight will be discussed at a future meeting.

PTA Update: Mr McLaughlin gave the update in Mrs Cairney's absence. The Fashion Show in M&Co has been cancelled. Funds are healthy.

Chairs Report:

- Mrs McCarney will attend the next Parent Forum meeting.
- Mrs McCarney congratulated Mrs Boyle on her recent promotion, and thanked Mr Daly for his contribution to the Parent Council over the years, as this will be his last meeting.
- Pupils attending Columba1400 this week were discussed. A question was raised regarding how the concept is introduced to pupils. Mr McLaughlin will arrange to have this on a future meeting agenda.

HT Report:

- Mr McLaughlin gave the sad news that Camilla Sheridan, a highly respected former English teacher and PT Guidance teacher had passed away at the weekend following an illness. Mrs Sheridan worked in St Ninian's from 1979 and retired in 2008 but continued to work with us on supply until September last year, when she became unwell. Mass will be arranged soon.
- Exams are going well. Mr Breslin, who is invigilating, said that the pupils' behaviour has been exemplary.
- Staffing: S Boyle has been appointed to Depute Head Teacher. Mr McLaughlin thanked Mrs McCarney and Mr Breslin for their help at the interviews. We are waiting to find out if we will have any probationers next term.
- The new timetable is now up and running.
- The Leavers' Mass was a lovely event.
- The Prom will take place on Thursday 6 June.
- Primary 7 induction days will take place on
- St Ninian's is up for 3 awards:
 1. John McKean PT ELR has been shortlisted for Scottish Education Awards Teacher of the Year.
 2. Derryk Gray SSM has been nominated for TESS Business Manager.
 3. Paul McLaughlin has been nominated for TESS Head Teacher of the Year.

School Improvement Plan:

M Kerr is responsible for the Improvement Plan. In her absence, Mrs Boyle discussed the Standards & Quality Report, explaining the procedure. Three Focus Groups will be held over the next 2 weeks.

Next Year's Parent Council Dates:

Ms Fairbairn handed out copies of next year's proposed Parent Council meeting dates. These still have to be confirmed.

AOCB: Junior Prizegiving will be held on 8 June. Author Theresa Breslin will present the prize.

Ms McCarney thanked everyone for attending and the meeting was brought to a close.

Proposed Next meeting: Monday 9 September 2019 at 7pm.