



Strathblane Parent Council AGM Minutes

Thursday 12th September 2019

1. Welcome and Apologies

Present: Richard Wakefield (Outgoing Chair), Steve Busby (Outgoing Treasurer), Sarah Heather, Katie Goodier, Jenny Park, Lucy Sinclair, Victoria Carson, Robin Hoyle, Alastair Pickard, Anne Young, Fiona Nicholl and Tom Furniss. (Full list not collected at the meeting and will require revision at next meeting).

Apologies: Gemma Smith (outgoing Fundraising Officer)

Teaching Staff: Sharon Cassidy & Anne Spencer.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting:

Previous PC meeting minutes agreed.

3. Chair persons Report: Richard Wakefield.

- I've found the last two years as my time on the PC enjoyable and interesting, I believe as a group we have undertaken a lot of work within the school and raised a considerable amount of money for the school to invest in the children and their surroundings – I will let the treasurer provide the total raised over the last two years.
- It's great to be involved in deciding where the money from the fundraising goes to benefit our children's school. The use of the parent questionnaire was an interesting undertaking with valuable confirmation of where the PC should choose to spend the money raised.
- We have undertaken a lot over the last year:
 - Ongoing support of school trips
 - Ongoing support of ICT within the school, where all budget has been removed
 - Upgrade and enhancement of the outdoor space
 - Halloween Disco
 - Christmas Fair
 - Summer Fair
 - Ski party at the village hall – a truly amazing event which generate a lot of money!
 - Ongoing daily mile path work
 - Bonus ball back up and running

- Increase in Easyfundraising funding
- Thank you to everyone on the PC (Steve Busby, Tom Furness, Gemma Smith, Jenny Park, Zoe Bell Arnott, Elaine Farrell, Ana Nikolaidis) and all others who have attended meetings. Please don't be offended if I haven't mentioned you personally, I've probably missed someone out.
- Thanks to all the people who have taken on the role of clerk over the last two years, I think we have all managed to create reasonable impressions of what meeting notes should be.
- I need to mention all the parents, carers and pupils that support the fundraising, our supplies and environment couldn't be enhanced without it.
- Thanks to everybody that has organized the fundraising. Especially mention to Gemma Smith for taking on the role of fundraising officer and managing/support all the events we have run.
- Mr Bendermacher needs a personal mention. His contribution to the school and all of its events are huge so THANKYOU.
 - Thank-you teachers, support teachers, administration staff, cleaning staff and catering staff

4. Treasurers Report: Steve Busby

Treasurer provides a summary of the spending undertaken within year and over the last two years of office. Significant fundraising has allowed the significant investment in the school with over £17,000 being raised.

Treasurer noted that current bank account has £3,150 (TBC) set aside for the daily mile path project and that these funds should not be used for other purposes.

5. Official Business of the Parent Council:

The following members will be stepping down: Richard Wakefield, Steve Busby, Gemma Smith, Elaine Farrell and Tom Furness.

- Victoria Carson **Chair** - Nominated by Heather Smith, seconded Richard Wakefield
- Heather Smith **Treasurer** – Nominated by Victoria Carson, seconded Steve Busby
- Lucy Sinclair & Fiona Nicholl **Fundraising Officer** – Nominated by Richard Wakefield, seconded Victoria Carson
- Katie Goodier and Alastair Pickard **Grounds Group Representative** – Nominated by Tom Furness, Seconded by Lucy Sinclair

- Anne Young **Clerk**

6. Vote of thanks and welcome to new members

HT provides a vote of thanks to all outgoing members of the PC and especially to the efforts of Gemma Smith who had been doing an amazing effort as the Fundraising Officer for the PC over the last two years.

7. AOB:

Bank account should be changed over to match the funding applications. Bank account to change to **Strathblane Parent Council**. RW to action.

Next meeting: 7th November 2019 at 1830