

GIRVAN ACADEMY PARENT COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting – 13/09/21

1. Attendance:

Sharon Trotter

Elaine Denham

Pamela Griffin

Michelle Oellerman

Gabi Duval

Leslie Forbes

Dan Johnstone

Mark Anderson

Alex Scott

Peter Henderson

Alec Clark

Sheona Johnson

2. Apologies:

Kasia Kowalska

Ian Fitzsimmons

Erin Murdoch

3. Minutes of previous meeting.

4. Minutes of previous meeting were agreed. AGM Minutes had been forwarded

5. Matters arising:

Election of Office Bearers;

S.T as Chairperson

G.D as Vice Chairperson

M.O as Secretary

E.D as Treasurer

Prizegiving;

The Parent Council are giving £170 for trophies/prizemoney as an award for excellence to every year group.

Safety Issues;

There is concern about the volume of traffic on Coalpots Road. P.H has brought up the matter with the Director of Education who has agreed there is a good cause for intervention. It has been taken up with the Roads Alliance.

Anti-Litter;

The Parent Council has been approached by Girvan Community Council to promote an anti litter poster competition. The school will promote this in GIR-FEC time and run this competition in year groups with the parent council approving the winner. The council has offered to put in extra bins and larger bins if required. P.H reminded us of council labour shortages affecting uplifts.

Fundraising;

The issue of school lockers was raised. Currently there is lack of space but it may be a possibility when further renovations occur. Feedback is required for future fundraising efforts by the parent council at the next meeting.

GAPC schedule for next Meetings;

4th October, 8th November, 17th January, 7th March, 9th May and 6th June.

Head Teachers Report:

M.A shared Head Teacher update which has been e mailed.

Treasurer Report:

Outgoings £500 for fruit trees, £110 leaving gifts

Balance £1007.50

Query over £600 paid to the school from SAC. Confirmed that this can be used for administration purposes if you are an external person to the parent council. Normally it is used for office administration purposes.

AOCB:

P.H raised concern over the looming impact of the reduction in Universal Credit, end of furlough and the increase in N.I and utility bills on our pupils and families. This will be closely monitored.

Daniel Johnston:

Welcome was made to our camp cop. He was very positive about our pupils and reported that 99% of interactions were good. There are more issues in our community than in school. However, he will be out of school for three – four weeks as is being redeployed due to the COPD convention in Glasgow.

Correspondence:

The Educational Services Recovery and improvement plan was issued. Parents as Partners is the new Parent Council document on how the parent council works.