



Comhairle nam Pàrant Taobh na Pàirce

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Comhairle nam Pàrant - Bun-sgoil Taobh na Pàirce

AGM Meeting minutes

Date 21st January 2019

Agenda item	Detail	Decision	Action
Welcome and attendees	The meeting was called to order by the chair.		
Apologies	Wilson MacLeod, Laura Irvine, Kevin Leetion, Seamus Spencer, Saidhbhín Bhreathnach		

Minutes of the last meeting	Minutes were approved by Orla Hobson and seconded by Brian Thunder		
AGM Report	The Chairs gave highlights of the year's activity as documented in the AGM Report which can be found on the Parent Council website at: http://www.parantantaobhnapairce.org.uk/documents--sgrigraveobhainnean.html		
Treasurer's/Financial report	Laura Irvine, the Treasurer was unwell and Barbie Lyon, Co-Chair, gave a finance update. Gordon Tainton was accepted as a suitable auditor for the PC accounts – proposed by Marianne O'Loughlin and seconded by Natasha Lee-Walsh. The PC had a surplus of £1,000 as outlined in the AGM Report. A vote was taken to see if we should grant the Acoustics fund a £1,000 outwith the Small Sums Scheme. The vote was unanimous for £1,000 for the acoustics fund. The Finance report was approved by Orla Hobson and seconded by Katie Soane	£1,000 approved for the acoustics fund	Laura Irvine to action
GME Update	Brian Thunder, Convenor of Comann nam Pàrant Dhùn Èideann, updated the parents on recent		

	<p>developments as outlined in the AGM report. Additional points included:</p> <p>The Gaelic Language Plan has been agreed and will be published in March 2019. This is the plan up to 2022.</p> <p>Team at CEC has been increased significantly – 3 officers in Strategy and Insight who look after implementing the plan and Bethan Owen delivering on the education elements of the plan.</p> <p>There are significant proposals for GME at all levels in the plan.</p> <p>Recent meeting at JGHS was very positive regarding the transition for the current P7s. A potential timetable was presented with 29 sessions available. 18 would be delivered in Gaelic. The remaining 10 would be with EME class mates and 1 session in a GME group as a foreign language (Spanish). This is a significant increase on current offer.</p> <p>The funding bid to approve the 9-10 million required for upgrading the Darroch building for use at JGHS as an interim facility will be presented to the Finance Committee on 1st February.</p>		
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	<p>Nothing is confirmed about how Darroch will be used and parents will have a role in discussing how things progress.</p> <p>Timeframe: if a dedicated Gaelic high school is open in 2024, a statutory consultation needs to be completed by November 2020 which means the consultation will need to start in February 2020.</p> <p>Comann nam Pàrant plan to run sessions with parents to discuss options.</p> <p>Appointment of a Gaelic Development Officer – full time and at a senior level. CEC bringing forward proposals and funding with an expectation that an advert will be placed within 6 months.</p> <p>Brian will be standing down in May in line with the constitution. He'll happily support a new person into the role, please consider volunteering.</p> <p>Please can parents sign up to receive information from both Comann nam Pàrant and the PC. The Comann nam Pàrant mailing list can be accessed here: https://cnpduneideannblog.wordpress.com/contact/</p>		
Fundraising	Caroline Pretty tabled a paper on running a school lottery to raise funds for the school. The vote was		Motion passed

	<p>carried by 10 votes (16 people present). The lottery will be reviewed at the PC meeting in May.</p> <p>Caroline also tabled a discussion paper on the pros and cons of applying for charitable status. Agreement to take forward the discussion to the next PC meeting.</p>		<p>Lottery to be reviewed at May PC Meeting To be discussed at the March PC meeting</p>
<p>Election of office bearers</p>	<p>Anna and Barbie stood down and thanked the Senior Management Team, the former chair and other office bearers, class reps and working groups as well as the parent body for their support and engagement.</p> <p>Natasha Lee-Walsh was proposed as a Co-Chair by Lorraine Barry and seconded by Katie Soane.</p> <p>Seamus Spencer (in absentia) was proposed as a Co-Chair by Marianne O'Loughlin and seconded by Meghan Clark.</p> <p>Caitriona McCormack was proposed as Co-Secretary by Caroline Pretty and seconded by Richard Weller.</p>		

	<p>Angela Porteous was proposed as Co-Secretary by Annabel Harrison and seconded by Orla Hobson.</p> <p>Laura Irvine (in absentia) agreed to continue in her role as Treasurer. Proposed by Meghan Clark and seconded by Katie Soane.</p> <p>A GME rep was also appointed - Calum Carlyle was proposed by Caitriona McCormack and seconded by Natasha Lee-Walsh.</p>		
AOB	The was no other business and the meeting was drawn to a close at 8:45pm.		

The next Parent Council Meeting will be held at school on Wednesday 13th March at 7.15pm.

