



DALZIEL HIGH SCHOOL

PARENT COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at 7.00 pm on Thursday 5th September 2013

in the School Conference Room

Present:	Mr Robert Birch	-	Head Teacher
	Mrs Sadia Ahmed	-	Parent Member
	Mrs Jennifer DiMambro	-	Staff Member
	Mr Dominic Farr	-	Staff Member
	Mrs Rona Whittaker	-	Clerk

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Margaret Craw, Deborah King and Irene McKenna.

2 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

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

3 BUSINESS ARISING

There were no matters arising to discuss.

4 RECTOR'S REPORT

4.1 Staffing

We have a number of new staff joining the school this term:

Anne Fernie – Art
Linzi MacPherson – Music
Aileen McGuire – Mathematics
Monica Nicol – Modern Studies

Caroline Bleach, PT Pupil Support, will be going on Maternity Leave soon and interviews for Acting PT Pupil Support will take place on Monday.

4.2 School Roll

The school roll appears to have settled at 962.

R Birch attended an appeal hearing for a placing request at Hamilton Sherriff Court which NLC won and there are 2 cases pending at Airdrie Sherriff Court.

4.3 End of Term

The end of term went very well with the Choral Shield and prizegiving both being very successful. We will be going back to the previous model of Choral Shield then prizegiving next year.

4.4 New Term

The start of this term has gone smoothly with pupils changing options etc.

4.5 School Show

Preparations are well underway for the school show, Back to the 80s. Performances will be on 7th – 10th October and tickets will be on sale soon.

4.6 SQA Results

The SQA examinations results are the best ever for the school.

Appeals are now underway.

4.7 Pistoia Exchange

We will have Italian visitors in the school during the week 11-17 September.

4.8 Working Groups

Working groups are underway to move forward on

Co-operative Learning
Policy Review Group
On Track with Learning
Passport to Health
S3 Profiling
CfE Monitoring Groups
Seemis Tracking and Monitoring

4.9 Refurbishment

The Art Department has had some refurbishment work during the summer holiday.

5 TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no change to report.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to report.

7 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

A discussion took place regarding the vacancies on the Parent Council. After discussing the Parent Council Constitution it was agreed that we have two vacancies to fill. It was agreed that letters would be issued to all parents on 12th September and notes of interest would be required by 19th September. It was also agreed that if more than two notes of interest were received we would then hold a formal ballot to fill the vacancies.

After a short discussion it was agreed to hold our next Parent Council meeting on Thursday 7th November.

8 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting Thursday 7th November 2013.