

Milnes High School Parent Council

Meeting Minutes

16 January 2017

In attendance:

Rhonda Geddes-Stewart - Chair person

Clare Brownlie - Treasurer

Gillian Nicol

Cheryl Wall

Gillian Thomson

Marc MacRae

Karen Wiles

Margo Howe - Councillor

Shirley Laurie - Teacher Representative

Patricia Cameron - HT

1.	Welcome & apologies – Marisa Landon, Douglas Ross	
2.	Minutes from previous meeting – 4 December 2016 Errors amended and minutes agreed. Milnescroft residents very appreciative of the hampers. Lots of thank you cards and a sense of achievement for the senior pupils. Thoughts for this year - hold this 'event' at time of Farmers Market and concentrate on hand made products - Parent Council can contribute to ingredients for fudge/table/chutney. Put on September agenda.	
3.	Update from Head Girl/Senior Pupils <ul style="list-style-type: none">no update due to prelim exams	
4.	Head Teacher's Report Curriculum Rationale - Assemblies held last week with the Core Values as the topic - This term focus on diligence.	

	<p>Staffing Mark Vanhoof appointed to School Support Co-ordinator role. Business Studies 0.6 FTE advertised again. in the meantime the subject is being covered.</p> <p>Improvement Work on Building Work out to tender</p> <p>Dates for Diary Pre-lims 16 - 27 January 27 January - S3 College Taster day Wed 1 February - S1 Patents Evening 7 February - S1 Lepra Assembly 23 and 28 February - Senior Phase Parents Evenings</p>	
5.	<p>Treasurers Report</p> <p>Balance - £2068.68. Bank have changed address and sent copies of last 3 statements. Rhonda will organise a cheque from the school to the PC for the School Christmas Raffle monies. One for all Card donated - will go towards next event - Trish to discuss with office staff the whereabouts of the card.</p> <p>Bank signatories - Alice has left PC. Still have 3 signatories - Rhonda, Clare and Gillian Thomson.</p>	cheque banked 30/01/17
6.	<p>Parents' Night - Developing young Workforce</p> <p>School needs volunteers from Parent Council to man the desk at the upcoming Parents' Evenings to ask parents if they have a skill/career that they would be willing to give a talk to the pupils about - and to get them to sign up.</p> <p>Rhonda - Tuesday 28 Feb – need another volunteer Gillian Nicol - part of 1st Feb – need another volunteer 23 February – need 2 volunteers</p> <p>Parent Council members to get back to Chair person to let them know if they can attend any of the evenings - 2 volunteers per evening would be ideal.</p>	All PC members
7.	<p>Rezoning Consultation</p> <p>Ends 20 January 2017. Previously discussed at PC. If not already done so, PC members should go onto MC website and complete survey monkey. All members happy with the</p>	

	<p>consultation as it means more pupils for Milne's High - although there will still be parental choice.</p> <p>HMI inspectors visiting school on 31st January at 11.30 a.m. to speak with PC members to ensure we have been consulted about the proposals. Rhonda and Karen to attend.</p>	RGS KW
8.	<p>Clerk and Secretary Duties</p> <p>Need to get a Clerk and Secretary - Chair doing all 3 currently.</p> <p>Trish will approach possible interested parties. They will be responsible for taking minutes of meetings, trying up and distributing minutes, sending texts and emails - and co-ordinating the mail.</p> <p>Pay £33 per meeting - Parent Council agreed to this change.</p>	
9.	<p>Parental Engagement Strategy</p> <p>PC members agreed strategy</p>	
10.	<p>Coffee Morning</p> <p>22nd April - Rhonda to get this on Fochabers Events list</p>	
11.	AOCB	
12.	Next meeting - 20 February 2017 at 7.00 p.m.	