

Stoneyhill School Council

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 12 March 2014

Present:

Adrian Stott	Nicola Falconer
Denise Ford	Katie Hislop
Lynn Foley	Gayle Durham
Sharlene Miller	Gillian Elgin
Lisa Livingstone	Jill Robertson
Linda Thomson	Val McIntyre - Principal Officer ELC
Emma Horrell	Fiona Macartney - Acting Head Teacher
Sarah Devine	John Williamson - Councillor
	Carol Colville - Teacher Representative
	Sandra Swinton - Clerk

Apologies:

Sean McBride-Stewart
 Sharon McDougall
 Julie Jessup
 Jill Craig - Teacher representative

Item		Action
1.	The minutes of the previous meeting on Wednesday 29 th January were approved and signed.	
2.	<p><u>Update on Head Teachers Post</u></p> <p>S Miller opened the meeting by welcoming Val McIntyre. Three staff members of Stoneyhill (F Macartney, C Colville and S Swinton) were asked to leave the meeting while Val McIntyre gave details of the Head Teachers interview process.</p> <p>It was agreed that S Devine and S Miller would represent the School Council and sit on the panel for the new Head Teachers post.</p>	SD/SM
3.	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>S Miller advised that information had been received regarding the Musselburgh Parent Council Cluster meeting at Musselburgh Grammar on 20th March. S Miller advised she would be attending.</p> <p>It was agreed that the 'Support from the Start Group News & Information' sheet would be put on the school notice board.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Head Teachers Report</u></p> <p>The school had their 2nd evaluation visit 4/3/14 which was very positive. The visit included a group of parents, pupils and staff chatting about the school and learning. David Scott, QIO, visited some classes to chat to pupils and observe lessons as well as discussing evidence with the management team.</p> <p>Child-led parents nights will be in April and appointments will be handed out soon.</p>	

Achievements:

- Feel Good Choir performed at the Beetle Drive
- The Feel Good Choir and Wake Up Shake Up Dancers will be performing for some residents of St Anne's Care Home
- P4 have taken part in badminton and athletics festivals.
- P6 & 7 took part in basketball competition
- The Stoneyhill Fizz can - I can is working well
- P6 have started games activities across the school at lunchtime

School Houses have been reinstated and "modernised" by the pupils. This was launched after the February Holiday and has a positive impact on behaviour but more importantly recognises small achievement that pupils make every day. There are plans to further develop this within the dining room.

Staffing:

- Julie Naysmith has returned from maternity and has taken over in P6. Evie Thomas will return in March and share P6 with Julie. Rachel is potentially not due back until October.
- Leigh Cleeton has taken up full time post in P1/2 following the resignation of Mrs Robertson. This has left a vacancy for Shona Walker's secondment to ELC for On Track With Learning. The nursery post and the 2 day post were advertised with a closing date on 10/3/14
- I have met with Richard Parker to look at projected classes for session 14/15 and clarify staffing. This has still to be finalised.

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Parental involvement: There is a planned maths event on 23 April for parents to come along to a workshop to learn more ways to help support maths at home. We have negotiated with the Dance let to allow us to have the dining hall between 6pm- 7pm.

Newsletters: We will be looking to seek views form parents in April regarding the new format of newsletter to see if this has increased interest.

Primary Management Review :

There has been an extended period of consultation and this has now been closed. Final decisions will be share with staff and parents in due course.

PFG: We are discussing trialling a coffee catch up 1 per term/ month and also try and sell lost property in the form of sweatshirts etc.

5.

PFG

L Thomson reported that the Beetle Drive went well and said the Feel Good Choir were great. The amount raised was £101.00.

The School Disco is the next event on 3 April.

