

Stoneyhill School Council

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 30 October 2013

<p>Present: Lynne Foley Sharlene Miller Denise Ford Pam Stott Dianne Fyfe Councillor John Williamson</p> <p>Hazel Rae - Acting Head Teacher Carol Colville - Teacher Representative Jill Craig - Teacher Representative Sandra Swinton - School Council Clerk</p>	<p>Apologies A Stott Sarah Devine Emma Horrell Linda Thomson Audry Cowan Lisa Livingston Councillor Fraser McAllister</p>
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Item		Action
1.	S Miller asked for an amendment to be made to the August Draft Minutes. This will be amended and signed off.	
2.	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>It was confirmed that the Annual Report had been issued to School Council members and a copy placed on the School Council website and School Notice Board.</p> <p>With regards to the Parental Involvement Strategy, S Swinton asked if anyone was interested in volunteering and it was confirmed there was no interest.</p>	
3.	<p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <p>It was advised that Stoneyhill would be having their AGM early next year. A note would be sent out to parents giving 14 days notice of the AGM and advising them of what Office Bearers positions are vacant. Stoneyhill Constitution states office bearers are selected for a maximum of 3 years, but if there is no interest and the existing Chair/Depute Chair puts themselves forward for re-selection, and the School Council members approve this, which will follow School Council protocol.</p> <p>S Swinton also advised the School Council that as the PFG are a sub-group of the School Council, if the member's numbers exceed 18, the Constitution would have to be amended. This would take place at the AGM meeting. S Miller will speak to A Stott regarding a proposed date for the AGM and let S Swinton know.</p> <p>S Swinton asked S Miller for a full list of the PFG members so the contact list at East Lothian Council can be updated.</p> <p>John Williamson advised that the speed flashing light positioned from the railway to the school is now working. He said that police are now trained with speed guns and will be in the Stoneyhill area late November. The next CAPP meeting will take place on Tuesday 5 November at 6 p.m. if anyone was interested in attending.</p> <p>H Rae reported that Janitor, Nick Gray would like to hold home football games in the park adjacent to the school but is unable to do so as the goal posts are the wrong size. She said in the interest of the community and the school, if there were proper size goals in the public park we could hold our home games there. J Williamson requested that H Rae ask Nick to email him the requirements to enable football games to be played.</p>	<p>S Miller</p> <p>S Miller</p>

4.	<p>Head Teachers Report</p> <p>H Rae advised that East Lothian Council are seeking notes of interest from within the Authority for an Acting Head Teacher at Stoneyhill Primary School. Applications are to be in by Friday 1st November.</p> <p>Staffing</p> <p>It was reported that Jill Robertson was the successful candidate for the P1/2 position covering the maternity leave for Mrs Snowdon until 4th July 2014.</p> <p>Leigh Cleeton has been successful in the long term temporary position covering for Mrs Walker has taken up a 2 day secondment to lead the on track with learning until 28th March 2014.</p> <p>Mrs Brogden has been successful in securing the P6 post, which will cover Mrs Naismith's maternity leave until 7 February 2014.</p> <p>H Rae advised that Julie Hay has been successful in securing the post of Dining Hall supervisor and Demi Crawford has been successful in securing the post of playground supervisor.</p> <p>H Rae reported that staff are actively working on the priorities within the School Development Plan with very good progress being made on looking at parental involvement and moderating Health and Well Being.</p> <p>The provisional dates for this year's Christmas Show are Thursday evening 12th and Friday 13th December in the morning but these may be subject to change.</p> <p>H Rae advised that the children demonstrate what they have learned within a particular block of learning well during Challenge Week. Some thought is being given to inviting parents into school during this Challenge Week to involve parents in their children's learning.</p> <p>The Boss Clubs focus is children creating something for a little Christmas Fayre. We wish to continue to welcome parents at Special Assemblies with possible juice and biscuits offered for children to celebrate the occasion.</p> <p>Nursery Peeps (Parental Early Education Partnership) are being held on Thursday afternoons. Parents come along to meet and discuss learning.</p> <p>Stoneyhill is continuing to take the lead in Musselburgh Cluster Moderation of Writing and Maths. Carol Colville has been instrumental in this process.</p> <p>H Rae advised we have an HNC Student in P1, PGDE student in P2/3 and B.Ed.3 student who is currently in P5, moving on to P7 in November.</p> <p>H Rae confirmed the school are purchasing an interactive white board for the nursery.</p>	
5.	<p>PFG</p> <p>H Rae advised the PFG that she would like to take forward the idea of £5 per child from P1 - P7 from the PFG funds to help with future school trips. This was agreed.</p> <p>The PFG agreed to help fund the Broomlee trip for P5 next year at a cost of £6.26 per child.</p>	

H Rae had looked at a cooker for the school but due to Health & Safety problems this was not an option at the moment. H Rae asked the PFG for funding to purchase 2 Baby Bellings with trolleys, with the total cost of £688.00. The PFG agreed this would be paid out of the PFG funds.

The PFG also agreed to help fund the Christmas Panto of Dick Whittingham which is coming to the school on 19 December. Cost of funding would be £895.

S Miller advised that the PFG would be looking at the Christmas Party, date to be confirmed. There was a discussion regarding what the teachers would like from the PFG for Christmas ideas. J Craig to email the PFG regarding Calendar format.

The date for the next PFG meeting will be 13th November 2013.

DATE OF NEXT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING: To be confirmed