

**Caldergleng High School
Parent Council Meeting
Tuesday 10 January 2017**

In attendance:

Liz White – Head Teacher

Paula Callaghan – Chair

Isabel Grant – Staff Member

Andrew Brawley – Parent Member

Jane Miller – Parent Member

Helen Cameron - Parent Member

Rosina Marley – Staff Member

Colin Stewart – Staff Member

Carolyn Mason – Staff Member

Hannah Shanks- Parent Member

Sharon Williamson – Parent Member

Adrian Nembhard – Parent Member

Susan McKenzie – Parent Member

Katrina Livingstone – School Captain

Apologies:

Sharon Williamson – Parent Member

Billy Williamson – Parent Member

Val Dray - Parent Member

Catherine MacDonald – Parent Member

Elaine Kelly - Clerk

Welcome

- Paula welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of minutes

- Jane proposed and Hannah seconded approval of the minutes from November 2016.

Matters Arising

(A) Parental Donations

- Jane was thanked for her commitment to the organisation and management of parental donations which raised £325.
- It was agreed that timing of such events can have a bearing on the response from parents.
- Carolyn suggested that it is made clear to pupils through PSE the importance of the School Fund and how the money is spent – to support events and activities for pupils.
- Katrina reiterated the importance of such events for Calderglen pupils.

Correspondence

- No correspondence.

Head Teacher's Report

- Liz advised that December had been a very busy month with all departments and senior pupils preparing for the S5/6 FEES.
- Liz advised that Gail Martin has led and overseen the development of the new school website. Much work has been done by departments on this and the proposed launch date is late February. Gail will discuss the website at the next meeting.
- The Self Evaluation Task Group led by Stevie Odger plan to display posters throughout the school which capture improvements that have been made in the school.
- Liz advised that funding has been received for a 3G pitch and the PE department look forward to the introduction of shinty in the school.
- Isabel has advised that a mural has been purchased for Social Studies.
- Liz advised that although we do not qualify for Attainment Challenge Funding (based on SIMD) Tony McDaid, the new director of Education, has indicated that more money will be made available to all South Lanarkshire schools.
- Liz advised that there is a new Masterclass – Sports Journalism and Football Studies – which involves Mrs Healy and Martin Lachlan from East Kilbride FC. A number of speakers will be involved in telling S3 pupils about the importance of sport, diet, fitness and having a positive mental attitude to life.
- Liz spoke about the work being done to support local residents who have dementia.
- Liz spoke about the importance of supporting the local community. Donations have recently been made to a local Food Bank and to the Beatson.

School Captains Update

- Katrina explained that there had been an interhouse competition (won by Torrance) to encourage pupils to bring in items for the Food Bank.
- Mr Stewart is currently organising elections for Junior House Captains and class representatives.
- Katrina spoke about the intention to find funding for the printer in the library.

2016/17 School Year/ Calendar

Events to cover:

The S3 Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday, February

Fundraising

Studio 32 Fundraising Event will take place on Friday, February 24. Liz will inform staff about this event at the next School Fund Committee Meeting and also at the inset Day on February 15th.

Tickets will be sold through the School Office and the event publicised through Parentmail and Twitter.

AOCB

- No issues to raise

Date of Next Meeting

- Tuesday 21st February (6.45).