

**Caldergleng High School  
Parent Council Meeting  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018**

**In attendance:**

Liz White – Head Teacher

Andrew Brawley – Chair

Susan McKenzie – Treasurer

Murray Stewart – Staff Member

Val Dray – Parent Member

Elaine Kelly – Clerk

Graham Scott – Councillor

Gillian Hanna – Parent Member

David Marsden – Staff Member

Colin Stewart – Parent Member

**Apologies:**

Hannah Shanks – Parent Member

Rosina Marley – Staff Member

**1. Welcome**

- Andy welcomed everyone to the meeting. Andy thanked Councillor Scott for attending the meeting.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

- Andy proposed and Susan seconded approval of the minutes from March 2018.

**3. Treasurer's Report**

- Susan advised that the Parent Council Bank Account balance is £306.92 to date. Liz instructed that she would remind staff about Easy Fundraising in the lead up to the school holidays. Andy is keen to continue to promote this next term.

#### **4. Matters for Discussion**

##### **Jackton Consultation**

- The Jackton proposal has now been confirmed. Option 1 was favoured at a recent committee meeting (18-4).
- Councillor Scott advised that Jackton Primary school should be opening in August 2021. This would allow time for Calderglen to build links with the new primary school.
- Liz thanked Councillor Scott for his support in this matter. She also thanked the wider Calderglen community.

##### **SLC Parent Focus Group**

- Andy stated that he had attended SLC's Parent Focus Group.
- A draft handbook for Parent Councils was issued. Andy will make this document available as a link on the school website. Andy is also keen to share ideas with other Parent Councils.
- David has been involved in updating the 2009 document 'Parents as Partners' in order to make this fully accessible to parents and carers.

#### **5. Head Teacher's Report**

- Liz advised that after a highly successful Easter Study School, pupils have been working consistently to achieve the best possible outcome in the forthcoming exams. Over 160 young people attended these study support sessions. Liz thanked staff for facilitating this. Study leave has now commenced.
- The S6 Leavers' breakfast was a very positive and uplifting farewell to our senior pupils. Colin Stewart advised that his daughter really enjoyed the event. Pupils were able to take photographs and say their goodbyes to staff before leaving Calderglen.
- Liz advised that all S6 pupils were encouraged to join the Calderglen Alumni in order to continue to celebrate their successes and keep in touch with the school community.
- S6 pupils are also looking forward to prom which will be held in the Crutherland Hotel on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June.
- Liz stated that the Developing the Young Workforce (DYW) has had another successful year. The school has maintained its position as the top SLC school for positive leaver destinations for the past three years. Liz thanked Jill Dodds for creating and sustaining links with partners.
- S1-3 pupils have been taking part in 'Calderglen's Got Talent.' The S3 Leadership Academy have led the management of the event. This year has been a joint venture with Sanderson.
- S2 Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL) is due to start (w/c 14<sup>th</sup> May). S2 pupils will take part in a range of activities which all have an overarching theme of 'our world is changing'.
- S1-3 Prizegiving will be held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June from 7pm. Members of the Parent Council are welcome to represent the Parent Council on the night.

- Liz advised eight members of staff are retiring at the end of this session. She has factored this into staffing requirements.
- Murray provided an update on the S3 Standardised National Assessments in literacy and numeracy. All S3 pupils will take part in this. Murray advised that there has been a successful pilot and that pupils will undertake the online assessments w/c 9<sup>th</sup> May. A timetable has been created to facilitate this. Pupils are aware that this is not a test. Murray also highlighted that the results of the assessment will inform teacher judgement about a pupil's progress. However, the result of the test is only a small part of the wider picture of a pupil's holistic progress.

### **6. Correspondence**

- No new correspondence.

### **7. AOCB**

- Susan thanked the school for the supported study sessions which were offered over Easter.
- Gillian asked if arrangements had been made for the Christmas Fayre.

### **Next Meeting**

- Tuesday 12th June 2018, 6.45PM