

**Minute**  
**Stirling High School Parents Forum meeting**  
**16.12.08**  
**7.00pm, Heritage Room,**  
**Stirling High School**

**Present:** Simon Puttock  
Peter Langley,  
Ann Finlayson  
Linda Watson

Pat Scullion  
Edmond Mansion  
Tom Monaghan  
Sandy McAfee

**1. Apologies**

Don MacLeod , Debbie Tolson, Craig Barry (head boy), Gemma Milne  
(head girl )

**2. Matters arising.**

- 2A- Funds to be transferred=£480. Jane Anderson to open a line in school accounts. Funds not yet transferred.ongoing
- Leaflets/business type cards with school contact details and possibly holiday dates. Jane Anderson to draw up example of what could be made up to be discussed with parents at parent's nights.ongoing

**D.McL**

**J.A.**

**3. Head teachers report**

- Draft Standards and Quality report.
- 50 S4 pupils being mentored by staff to help raise achievement levels.
- School would like to improve links with local businesses
- SMcA asked how many pupils stay on after 4rth year. This year has a large S6 100 started the year and there is at present 90.
- P.S. to give SMcA information on CAT testing.

**4. Head Girl / Boy report**

- None available-

**5. Sub Groups**

Fundraising - Lead –Sandy McAfee.

- Fundraising Group would like rep from the school/pupil council on this group. It would help decision making on what type of fundraisers if there was a mixture of parents and pupils. May be better if the fundraising group helped the school groups with fundraising they are doing rather than running their own. Not good for fundraising groups to be competing against each other. There is no fundraising group in the school.

- The raffle made a profit of £1000.00 towards the cost of outdoor furniture. Price for heavy stone is around £4000.00, P.S to look for cheaper options.
- Pupil Council have checked out catalogues stone or metal but would like some situated in the park opposite the school as well as at the front of the building.
- L.W. to look into grant (Awards for All) to help with the cost of the furniture.

#### Communications - Lead - Peter Langley

- P.L. hoped the pupil council would suggest how communication could be improved missing link between Parent Council and Pupil Council.
- Website – getting there. Not updated since 08.12.08 can anything be done to encourage quicker updates?
- Curriculum for excellence - 1 large event per year probably June encourage the greatest number of attendees.
- Feb event for feeder primary schools how kids communicate?
- House of tiny tearaways SMcA to approach.
- Questionnaire via survey monkey S.P to draft.

#### 6. 2009 Priorities

- Fundraising links.
- Communication – 1 large event probably June or September, to investigate parent/pupil priorities.
- Should we be looking at all aspects of school academic and non academic? How can we help if we do not understand?
- Look through Improvement Plan pull out 3 items maybe one should be links with local businesses.

#### 7. Correspondence

- Parent Council questionnaire ( Govt Based )
- Outcome of Parent Council Meeting comments

#### 8. AOCB

- P.S. was concerned about the number of dog walkers in the school grounds although most clear up after their dogs there is residue left on the playing fields.
- Next meeting – agenda items
  1. Discussion on business links
  2. Improvement Plan

#### 9. Dates of next meetings

- 09.02.09 Heritage Room 7pm
- 23.03.09
- 11.05.09
- 22.06.09

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