

Stirling High School Parent Council

Meeting 24 September 2012 held at 7pm SHS Conference Room

Present: Peter Langley, Christine Paterson, Sybil Lang, Ross Burton, Lesley McAleenan, Linda Farquhar, Richard Norman, Neil Ross, Alistair Cowper, Robert Clafferty, Pat Scullion, Gordon Milne and Kathryn Evans

Apologies: Vicki Wilson, Richard Norman, Ross Burton

1. **Approval of last minutes** – approved
2. **Matters Arising** – agreed that the agenda covered all matters for discussion
3. **Treasurer's Report** – £473.38 from the Car Boot and £453.31 in the budget
4. **Head Teacher's Report** – PS gave a presentation of recent events and the school calendar
 - The results of the SQA analysis of performance in the exams was presented and discussed
 - Holidays being taken in term time – possible increase in activity. School attendance is being closely monitored
 - How can I help my child to achieve? – event has been organised for Wednesday 10 October 7-8.30pm (S3-6)
 - CforE - S1-3 now in the curriculum. S3 will sit the new exams in the next session
 - S3 Profiling – Staff Development Day
 - Set/Oct events include the Hopscotch Theatre Company; P7 Open Evening; Macmillan coffee morning; Nepalese visit and Horrible Houses week
 - School values – the three agreed values are respect, achievement and friendship. Launched at the beginning of term.
 - Apple and open working space – early discussions regarding the creation of a space for students to work with WiFi and notebooks/pads
5. **Pupil Council** – voting complete. Meeting on 8 November at 10.12am
6. **Head Boy/Girl's Report** – The PC welcomed the new Head Boy, Gordon Milne and Kathryn Evans the Head Girl.
 - Aim to work on the relationships between junior and senior pupils and look to increase participation outside sport
 - Also to consider more opportunities for celebrating faith in all its forms.AC mentioned that he is involved with a project to look at faith and spirituality, which might become a lunchtime session

- Head teacher Conference – senior pupils were involved in facilitating sessions and with some success

7. **Parent Council –**

- AGM will take place prior to the event on the 10 October. Agreed to meet at 6.30 for an AGM at 6.45
- Car Boot – agreed to aim for 10 November. Date to be checked before going firm on this date. Meeting to be held next Monday 1 October at 7pm.

8. **AOCB** – Discussion about the uniform concluded that the change had been a success so far. LF pointed out that skirt length was still an issue. Cardigans are too long and show below the lowest edge of the blazer. PS confirmed that hoodies are being discouraged.

9. **Next Meeting – to** be held on 22 October 2012 in the Conference Room.