

Stirling High School Parent Council

Meeting 27 April 2015 held at 7pm SHS Conference Room

1. **Apologies:** GO'M, AL
2. **Present:** PL, PS, AC, AH, RN, FA, IW, CMc, Guest JE from Dunblane
3. **Approval of last minutes:** approved
4. **Matters Arising:** No comment
5. **Treasurer's Report:** £396.95 balance.
6. **Duke of Edinburgh Award**

At present the school runs a scheme just for the bronze award supported by 7 staff and able to process around 26 pupils.

Juan Escala, who runs the DofE scheme at Dunblane High School, described how it was set up and what they now achieve. The school started with 2 teachers and 4 parents. The parents took over due to the teachers union restricting the number of hours of non-teaching time. The parents run the awards as a standalone organisation which now turns out 150 awards of which usually there are about 84 bronze.

This year there will be 11 expeditions with 17 qualified parents amongst 40-50 in total. Agreed to attend the June meeting at Dunblane and meet the SHS teacher group to discuss how to start supporting them going forward.

7. **Healthy Eating**

AC and AL visited the school to see what happened at lunchtime. AC reported back. There is a period of 10-15 minutes when the Hub gets very busy. Most kids seem to buy a take away. The pupils were often given a take away tray regardless, and not a plate. Quite a bit of wastage and no obvious re-cycling. Did not notice any organic (fresh) food by the till.

Consider trying to see if Lidl would work with the school on menus.

8. **Head Teacher's Report:**

Web Site – RN will volunteer to work with AH on web site access. The pupil daily update is sent to twitter.

Newsletter – AH was hoping for more feedback to bed it down

Activities – PS ran through the calendar of events building up to the Junior prize Giving on the 16 June; the School Show on 23/24 June and the last day of term on 26 June.

9. **Pupil Council:** Nothing to report

10. **Head Boy/Girl's Report:** On study leave and will not attend

11. **Parent Council:**

Motivate, Create Educate- The next steps for the Parent Council will be discussed at the next meeting.

12. **Events and Correspondence:** As per circulation

13. **AOCB:**

IW and PL will meet with PS on 11 May to discuss ideas about the Parent Council

Next meeting – Monday 8 June