Greenhills Primary School Parent Council

Minutes of Meeting 27th August 2018

Present: Elaine Johnston, Councillor Dryburgh, Scott McPhilemy, Anne Marie Kean, Kelly Carlin, Carol Gallacher, Debbie Hutton, Megan Carvel, Joanne Gilchrist, Carrie Ann, Fiona Fadhli, Suzanne Campbell & Nicky Ballantyne

Apologies: Cherie Colreavey.

Elections
Carrie Ann stood down as chair person. Anne Marie Kean put herself forward for Chair Person role and was voted in unanimously.
Vice Chair was also a unanimous decision for Carol Gallacher
Treasurer again was unanimous for Debbie Hutton to continue in this role.

Minutes
Minutes of previous meeting were agreed by Carrie Ann and seconded Anne Marie.

Matters Arising
It was decided that this year the Parent Council would still organise and run a Coffee Morning but that the proceeds would be donated to The Kilbryde Hospice.

Head Teacher’s Report
The Standards and Quality report will be available on the website shortly. This report identifies the improvements which have taken place in the school during the 2017/18 session.

Our school Improvement Plan this year will continue to focus on reading, writing and wellbeing. Getting the learning right for every pupil is still the key focus.

There is a meeting scheduled for Wednesday looking for more parent helpers for the school.

The new Digital Library will be up and running in September but before that happens there are 800 books that still have to be barcoded and scanned before it can be implemented.

We plan to have a new Therapet coming into the school from October this session. The children who find it difficult to read aloud can read to the dog.

Letters were issued today regarding the Breakfast Club. There will be 40 spaces which will be allocated on a first come first served basis. This will be staffed by volunteers both from the Methodist Church and parents. Some schools in the area were chosen to have a breakfast club run by the council but unfortunately Greenhills Primary was not one of them.

Greenhills Nursery is now a full-time nursery with space for 48 children. There will be new staff starting but are currently awaiting their PVG’s
Staffing – We have a full complement of teaching staff this session. The school has been allocated an additional teacher, Miss Cummings and our new PEF teacher is Miss Black. We are still currently short of a full-time support assistant, but we have two new support staff who are being funded using PEF money.

Treasures Report

Opening balance for this year was £2921.07
Summer Fair profit - £419.13
Parent Council Donated £2241.09 in various forms to the school last year.

Mrs Johnston asked if the Parent Council could forge links with the group who organise the Reindeers for the town centre at Christmas. The pupils could get involved in this event at Christmas and could perhaps do a poster competition. Also if anyone knew of any other community links.

AOCB
Councilor Dryburgh informed the group that the new Islamic Centre in Calderwood will be having an open day on 2nd Sept from 2pm – 4.30pm. All welcome.

Halloween Disco – Wed 24th October
Christmas Fair – Wed 5th December
Next Parent Council Meeting – Mon 17th September

Agenda for next meeting – TBC