

St Margaret's Academy

Parent Council Minutes

Monday 11 December 2017

1830-2100hrs

Present

Parents:

Fiona McKeon
Warwick Dredge

Apologies:

Agnieszka Wroblewska-Rubinkowska
Deborah Docherty
Marcy Fleming
Alison Guthrie
Annabel Drummond
Christine Cooper
Denise Lawson
Douglas Hook
Elaine Scott
Elizabeth Traynor
J Hargreaves
Jo Taylor
Karen Rafferty

School Representatives:

Siobhan McGarty, Head Teacher
Tina Melville, Depute Head Teacher
Charles Swan, CDT
David Downham, PTC PE, Health &
Technology
Nick Locke, PE Teacher
Martin Dobie, Church Representative
Lynn Hynds, Clerk

Due to there not being a quorum to hold the meeting, it was agreed that the meeting be adjourned, however the planned presentation and discussion took place.

Additionally, it was agreed that the December meeting should be rescheduled going forward due to the number of other events parents have at this time of year. An alternative meeting will be scheduled into the year.

PE Presentation

Mr Downham and Mr Locke gave a brief run through of the structure of the Health and Wellbeing Departments – PE, Health & Technology and TLC (Green Room and Hub). The Green Room in particular has been awarded as a Centre of Excellence and is visited by outside agencies/schools across Scotland.

The PE Department has recently been awarded the Gold Award for Sport and is one of the first schools in Scotland to retain the award over 4 years. They offer a wide range of activities to encourage all pupils participate.

Mr Locke advised that there are 30 After-school clubs/activities on available across the school and the aim is to get most S1-3 participating at some level. The school also welcome any suggestions for alternative activities, such as a Health & Food

Technology club for parents/pupils. It was suggested that a tester session would be beneficial. A box for suggestions is available within the PE department and all activities are displayed on noticeboards in the entrance corridor.

Burns Ceilidh – 26 January 2018

Discussion on arrangements for this event took place amongst staff/parents present as Mr Swan has prepared tickets for the event. Fiona McKeon agreed to take tickets for distribution to parishes. Ticket price was discussed and amended, along with start/end time of event. Catering for the event has been reserved using a local provider and a deposit has been paid. This will be a non-alcoholic event and soft drinks will be made available to purchase along with teas/coffee. School will advertise on website and social media forums. Local businesses could be approached for donations – e.g. Lidl/Patersons.