

**Minutes of Parent Council Meeting held on**

**Monday, 19 March 2018**

**MINUTE SET NO 52**

**ST ANDREW'S AND ST BRIDE'S PARENT COUNCIL**

Meeting of: St. Andrew's and St. Bride's Parent Council, East Kilbride  
 Location: Conference Room, St Andrew's and St Bride's High School. Plathorn Drive, East Kilbride

Date: Monday 19 March 2018

Present	Mrs Caroline McDonald	Chair
	Mrs Hilary Kirby	Parent Member (Treasurer)
	Mr Thomas Chambers	Parent Member
	Mrs Pamela Hagan	Parent Member
	Mr Bernard Harkin	Parent Member
	Mr Philip Harris	Parent Member
	Mrs Fiona McLean	Parent Member
	Mr John Russell	Church Representative
	Mr Alan Cresswell	Staff Member
	Mrs Fiona Mullen	Head Teacher

## 1 Welcome and Apologies

Mrs McDonald welcomed everyone and Mr Russell began the meeting with a prayer. Apologies were received from Mrs F O'Connor, Ms J Porter, Mr B Nelson, Mr K Slowey and Councillor J Fagan.

## 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting.

The Minutes from the meeting of 29 January were read and approved.

## 3 Matters arising from the Minutes

### 3.1 (7.3) Whitemoss Underpass Flooding

Mrs McDonald asked if there was any update regarding the flooding at the Whitemoss underpass in bad weather. No further update was available.

## 4 School Business

Mrs Mullen began by thanking the parent body for supporting the rescheduling of the S2 Parents' Evening.

### 4.1 Insight – National Benchmarking

Mrs Mullen delivered a PowerPoint presentation on the League Tables – School Leavers 2016 and 2017 (3 Highers plus) and Attainment in Literacy and Numeracy. Although St Andrew's and St Bride's High School is sitting at the top of the 2017 League Table Mrs Mullen commented that there is always room for improvement.

### 4.2 Improvement Plan Update

Mrs Mullen advised that Mrs Nicola McCormick has been appointed as PT Numeracy and Mr Michael Wilkie has been appointed as PT Literacy. Mrs McCormick and Mr Wilkie are tasked with tracking literacy and numeracy across the school and have been involved in the following:

- Numeracy workshop for parents/guardians and staff which was well attended
- Numeracy homework issued across departments and tracked
- Peer reading programme established
- Reading for pleasure during registration and developing a reading culture across the school
- Tracking within the broad general education.

**4.3 Rights Respecting School**

Mrs Mullen confirmed that the banners designed by the Making Rights Real Group showing their charter, logo and mission statement are now hanging in the street area of the school. All pupils will be issued with a bookmark detailing Our Child Rights.

**4.4 Friendship with DAMU.**

Mrs Mullen reported that £6000 was raised by Christmas for Mary's Meals and that the school hopes to continue this fundraising and to build relationships with the pupils in Damu.

**4.5 Supported Study**

The third round of supported study has begun and Mrs Mullen praised the great number of staff who have given their time to this.

**4.6 Achievements**

The school's Junior Team has won through to the national final of the Rotary Youth Speaks Competition in Exmouth, Devon on 7 May. The Senior Team were runners up in their category. The under 16s football team are through to the semi finals of the The Lanarkshire League, The Scottish Cup and The Lanarkshire Cup. Mrs Mullen congratulated all the pupils for their achievements.

**5 Fundraising**

Mrs Kirby advised that the provisional date for the rescheduled Studio 32 Concert is 26 April. Raffle tickets are now on sale.

**6 Correspondence**

There was no correspondence recorded.

**7 Any Other Competent Business**

**7.1 School Uniform**

A short discussion took place regarding school uniform. It was decided that the Parent Council will issue a letter to parents/guardians highlighting the importance of the school uniform and asking for their continued support of it.

This concluded the meeting. The next meeting will be a meeting of the Parent Forum on Monday 30 April at 7pm in the street area of the school. The next Parent Council meeting will take place on Monday 21 May at 7pm in the Conference Room.

Signed: P McDonald

Position: Chairperson

Date: 21 May 2018