



Airyhall School Parent Council



Meeting – 16 January 2019 Minutes – Approved

Chair: Victoria Oumarou

Secretary: Ada Chrys-Chikere

Treasurer: Stuart Young

<i>Parent Council (PC) Members Present</i>	Jacqueline Allan (JA); Victoria Oumarou (VO); Stuart Young (SY).
<i>Staff Members Present</i>	Donna Polson (DP); Leigh Houston (LH); Emma Currie (EC).
<i>Aberdeen City Councillors Present</i>	Cllr Ian Yuill (IY); Cllr Douglas Lumsden (DL)
<i>Apologies</i>	Sarah Smith (SS); Eric Gilligan (EG); April Schelbert (AS).
<i>Minute-taker</i>	V. Oumarou

	Welcome and apologies	The meeting was opened by the Chair at 6:35pm, who welcomed everybody and thanked them for their presence.	VO
	Approval of Previous Minutes	Previous minutes approved by email and at meeting. They can now be uploaded to the website.	VO
	Accounts	Airyhall PC received funding from Aberdeen City Council in November, £331.30, bringing total to £1,031.06.	SY
	Staffing Update	School fully staffed. New EYP started on Monday.	DP
1	Class Reps	DP confirmed GDPR procedure and sharing class rep info. No news from class reps this meeting.	DP
2	Parent and Community Engagement	Discussion and suggestions on how to raise parental participation in Parent Council. Next meeting coincides with Parent Interviews – we will change the format for this meeting and offer a Parent Survey in the Meeting Room during the 2-days. This will offer parents the chance to find out more about meetings and Parent Council as well as to share views. There is a special parental engagement training event for Schools and Parent Councils on Feb 14 plus other focused training. DP to email information, VO to share with Parent Council members with minutes.	All
3	School Improvement Priorities	Literacy - Training for staff on Read Write Inc and Fresh Start, and moderation of writing within the ASG [Associated School Group]. Numeracy – focus on boosting any gaps. HWB – Seasons for Growth started this week with a small group. Lots of positive feedback within the ASG on this programme to support pupils to deal with loss and change. Growth Mindset will also be a focus, building resilience in our children. ICT – Miss Winchester has been working with classes and their teachers to develop ICT skills further using TextHelp. Modern Languages – Scots is included as part of 1+2.	DP LH EC
4	Pupil Groups	Eco Group - The group are presenting their presentation to the whole school at Assembly. Litter picking on a weekly basis is working well and the children have come up with a few ideas for reducing litter in the playground.	LH EC

		<p>Pupil Council - The Pupil Council are meeting on Friday to look at the charities they are going to work with this year. They are going to finalise their online suggestion box. Pupil Council will be interviewing Parent Council and Councillors to ask what they do.</p> <p>World of Work Week is coming up.</p> <p>Fair Trade - The theme this year is chocolate and School have already made links with the Co-op. They have kindly donated a Fair Trade chocolate hamper which will be used with pupils to do some creative chocolate work in classes. There are lots of Fair Trade topics that pupils will work on.</p> <p>Rights Respecting Group also busy.</p>	
5	Astroturf lighting	No new updates. Football teams have not sent representation to the meeting. DL emailed Finance department regarding Section 75 development money. Issue to be paused until further updates.	
	AOB	No AOB.	
	Dates of Next Meetings	Next meeting = 13/03/2019 – in the afternoon, during Parent Interview time. Further details to be confirmed and communicated by email; Then = 15/05/2019, 19/06/2019. These 2 meetings will follow the regular pattern, on Wednesdays with 18:30 start, end before or by 20:00.	
	Meeting Closed	19:50 – with thanks to all.	