

Breadalbane Academy Parent Council Minutes Tuesday 27th

October 2009

1 Welcome and Apologies

Present:- J Scott, M Duncan, A Irvine (Chair), C Nash (secretary), H Taylor (Vice Chair), M Cairncross, F Broad, J Kennedy, N Menzies, B Cameron, C Bryson, H Murdoch.

Apologies: - C Murray, S Beattie, W Olivier, T Pringle (Treasurer), N Ferguson, J Riddell, D Riddell, C Thom

2 Review and Approval of Minutes

An amendment was recorded that N Ferguson had asked any Primary parents if they would like to sit on the Primary school fund committee.

3 Breadalbane PR. Update

The Press are not keen to come up to Aberfeldy. L Thomas renewing contact with PA and Courier.

H Taylor will contact Comment and Quair

Suggested that the PC put an incentive of a prize to get people to fill out the email address on the data update form so school have more email addresses to email things like school news letters home.

CN to enquire as to when the secondary data update forms are to go out.

4 PC Planned events/talks, raising parent awareness and involvement in PC

Info stall at parent nights etc – Board with suggestions, what can be done better and what is being done well. Posts on post it notes onto board. PC doing teas and coffees next to stall, small charge?

H Taylor – elected events Co-ordinator

Other ideas and thoughts please contact H Taylor

5 Fund raising Committee – status report for 2010 fete

Waiting for target to get things started i.e. mini bus, although mini bus situation not finalised.

After discussion it was decided to make the 2010 fete an awareness fete and Goodbye decant and hello new school.

Possible thoughts of fundraising for a 2nd hand land rover for the skills for work, – **MD to take to SMT and get back to us**

6 Spending money currently held by PC – status update

A block of six more radios have been purchased and are in the school being used. The total cost of these were £1371.95 – This has been paid.

£161.00 has been paid into the school for 7 Enhanced Disclosures for Parent helpers for the Primary Department.

The wet weather boxes for the Primary classes still needs to be paid. (£240.00)

Pupils like the Aberfeldy tartan, new school uniform. Could we do a survey on 'Survey Monkey' – **H Taylor to look in to 'Survey Monkey'**? Only one supplier of the Aberfeldy tartan.

Pupil Council meeting in the next couple of weeks and will get back to us cost of the items that they would like, or some sites for us to source prices.

7 Headteacher Update

Wednesday 28th October L swan returns to school after her secondment. J Scott will update L Swan Wednesday and Thursday and then J Scott leaves the end of Thursday.

J Scott then talked about the 'Improvement Plan' – School priorities and focus areas for improvement.

The formulation of the school plan involved consultation with ALL staff and the wider school community. It gives due emphasis to national and / or council priorities. It is important to maintain an appropriate balance between internal and external initiatives; objectives / priorities must be realistic and attainable within a specific time scale. – **Will ask if I can attach the sheet handed out**

Cost of group call needs to be looked into for the use of PC using the system – does it cost extra or not?

8 AOCB

There is a Dyslexia meeting next week on Tuesday 3rd for parents, pupils and any other interested adults. The presentation is being done by the Perth branch of dyslexia Scotland and will take place in the school hall from 7 – 9pm. – **H Taylor to contact 'Comment'**

Careers fair in February – date to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Next meeting date- Tuesday 24th November

