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FORRES ACADEMY PARENT COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 30th January 2017 at 6:30

Room B1 at Forres Academy

1.	Welcome from Chair	Elizabeth Watson
2.	Present – Elizabeth Watson, Alison Noel, Mhairi Donald, Angela Mitchell, David Nelms, Cath Perry, Ann Rossiter and Carol Stewart. Apologies - Jane Munro and Murdo Macleod.	Angela Mitchell
3.	Minutes of previous meeting. Approved	Elizabeth Watson
4.	Matters arising from previous minutes.	
5.	Treasurers Report and Use of Funds Our current balance is £3,296.30 and the account signatories have now been changed. Possible use of funds was discussed. The committee agreed to release up to £500 to pay for sports kit. Forres Harriers have offered to sponsor running vests but Ann Rossiter noted that schools are not allowed to run with club logos on when competing in some events. AR will investigate school kit needs and prices. It was agreed that parents could be offered the opportunity to buy school sports kit. The committee discussed the outside paved area to the rear of the school. Some of the brick planters have been dismantled and the trees have been removed because their roots were encroaching on the school building. Angela Mitchell will investigate the cost of new benches for this area.	Mhairi Donald Ann Rossiter Angela Mitchell
6.	Correspondence There was no correspondence for discussion. Elizabeth Watson attended a Moray Parent Forum meeting in November. Matters discussed at the meeting included parental involvement, insurance, the need to always acknowledge anything funded by parent council, the importance of keeping parents informed and the need to be specific when asking parents for help. The next meeting is in in Elgin on February 22 nd . This meeting will include discussion of Internet Safety, good websites for learning and use of digital technology in schools. Please get in touch with EW if you would like to attend.	Elizabeth Watson

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7.	Head Teachers Report Report on the website.	Carol Stuart
8.	Extra-Curricular Report Report on the web site	Ann Rossiter
9.	Right Respecting Schools – Values The Parent Council sub-group has met with Murdo Macleod. Minutes of this meeting are included. Carol Stuart reported that groups of parents took part in a successful consultation session following the recent S3 information evening.	
10	Website EW invited feedback on the website and suggested that the site could include a 'Frequently Asked Questions' section. Please send any suggestions on this or other items for inclusion on the website to EW.	E. Watson
11.	AOCB The question of school owned facilities for sports and where the children are allowed to go during interval time was raised and discussed briefly. David Nelms to forward some suggestions to EW, for discussion at the next meeting. Moira Stickle, Manager of Developing the Young Workforce (DYW) has asked to attend the next meeting. This was agreed. Carol Stuart will be in touch with MS and confirm.	D Nelms C Stuart
12.	Date of next meeting. Monday 24 th April at 6:30	