



**FORRES ACADEMY PARENT COUNCIL**

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**FORRES ACADEMY PARENT COUNCIL MEETING**

**Monday 26th March 2018 at 6.30pm**

**Room B1 at Forres Academy**

1.	<b>Welcome from Chair</b>	<b>Actions</b>
2.	<b>Present</b> Elizabeth Watson (Chair) (EW), Mhairi Donald (Treasurer) (MD), Diana McPartlin (DM) (Secretary), Siobhan Evans (SE), Kathleen Robertson (KR), Cath Perry (CP), Ann Rossiter (Staff Representative) (AR), Claire Feaver (Councillor) (CF)	
3.	<b>Apologies</b> Lesley Coutts	
4.	<b>Minutes of previous meeting</b> Approved  Caroline Luxon-Read has resigned as secretary and DM has taken up the position.	
5.	<b>Matters arising from previous minutes</b> Swimming club is still struggling to maintain morning swim sessions. Pool hire costs are increasing to £60 per session and there are 32 sessions per year. Some funding may be available from the following sources: Money for Moray, Bags for Cash, Berry Burn Community Fund, local business sponsorship. A sponsored swim is usually arranged at the start of the school year. The possibility of putting funding from a school 'Dress Down Day' was discussed. AR said that this would have to be agreed with the Pupil Forum. EW suggested getting parents of swimmers more involved in taking initiative to raise funds. CP agreed to look into these issues.	CP
6.	<b>Correspondence</b> None	
7.	<b>Moray Parent Forum</b> EW reported that at the last meeting there was supposed to be a tour of Elgin High School and a speaker on Developing the Young Workforce, however there was a lack of interest so the event was cancelled.  EW suggested that she will set up a Parent Council clinic to help parents from other schools run Parent Councils. The clinic would advise on structure and help them anticipate issues which may arise. EW will put this proposal to Vivienne Cross, Head of Schools and Curriculum Development.	EW
8.	<b>Treasurer's Report</b> Balance of Account is £3,173. End of year is 31 March. Ritsons	





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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- PC agreed to fund pool hire costs for the school swimming club from start of term in April to the end of this school year. AR to inform Grant McPherson of this decision and liaise with MD re payment. This should amount to around £500 (8 to 9 sessions at £60 per session).</li> </ul>	
12.	<p><b>Appointment of new Depute Head and Headteacher</b>          EW and DM have been participating in the selection process for these posts. We have been asked to put forward possible interview questions for the candidates and some suggestions were made. Suggestions to be sent to EW who will forward them to Carol Stuart.</p>	EW
13.	<p><b>Head Teacher's Report</b>          Report on the website</p>	
14.	<p><b>Extra Curricular Report</b>          Report on the website</p> <p>AR is organising the Transition Day for new S1s on 16<sup>th</sup> June and letters have already gone out to P7 parents. Around 20 new parents have indicated an interest in meeting the Parent Council. Parent Council will help at the event by serving refreshments. Parent workshops will be held on Internet Safety and on Drug and Alcohol Awareness, and there will be representation from the health team. AR will keep the Parent Council updated.</p>	AR
15.	<p><b>AOCB</b>          Constitution subcommittee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EW suggested forming a subcommittee to consider a revision of the constitution. There was general support for this and we agreed it is to be taken forward.</li> </ul> <p>Duke of Edinburgh Awards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CF noted that DoE can incur costs for parents and asked what support the school provides for those unable to meet the costs. AR informed us that the school can provide kit free of charge.</li> </ul>	PC
16.	<p><b>Date of next meeting</b>          Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm in B1</p>	