

INVERGARRY PRIMARY SCHOOL – PARENT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 17TH JANUARY 2011, 7 PM

Present: Mrs Christine MacLennan Mrs Gayle Rand (Clerk)
 Mrs Jane Strachan Mrs Tracey MacCallum (Chair)
 Mrs Carol Littlewood Mrs Linda Stewart (Treasurer)
 Mrs Julie Gilchrist Cllr Bill Clark
 Mrs Jen Briggs

Apologies: Mrs Irene Rodgers PC Tony Hannah

Welcome to Jen who has come along this evening to join the Parent Council.

Minutes of Last Meeting

School Entrance

The children have been busy designing a sign for the school entrance; Alison Donald has been helping with this project. A couple of quotes are being sought, the donations from the Glengarry Games Committee over the past two years is being used to fund the sign.

Agenda

Outward Bound Residential Experience

The fundraising lunch held before Christmas was a success, with over £200 raised to go towards the cost of the course. The children are keen to organise another lunch and a date will be set for the spring.

Cllr Bill Clark has donated £500 towards the costs, many thanks for this donation.

Linda has applied for a donation of £600 from the Glengarry Windfarm Trust; their panel is due to sit next week. Julie is also applying for a possible bursary from the venue.

A parental contribution will still be required.

School Garden

Jane is waiting to hear back from the Education Department regarding specifications of fencing required for play areas. When this is done quotes for work required will need to be updated before grants can be reapplied for. However, the grounds now need to be cleared of branches/brush (following tree felling) before any work can be started. There may be problems with access to the garden for chipping equipment etc. Jen will look into obtaining a quote from BTCV (British Trust Conservation Volunteers). A group of parent/carer volunteers may need to get together to help clear the garden.

School Bus Stop

The school bus company, Sutherlands, have requested clarification regarding the use of the lay-by. It is a designated safe area for dropping off and picking up for pupils of the school and nursery, but priority needs to be given to the school buses between the hours of 8.45am – 9am and 2.45pm – 3.15 pm on school days. Sutherlands have also

requested that the lay-by is left clear for days when transport is required for PE/Swimming Lessons.

Some parents have also been parking on the road near to the school entrance, this blocks the view for Amy/children preventing safe crossing of the road.

Jane will put a letter out to parents/carers to clarify.

A.O.B

Funding

Bill suggested that the Parent Council write to the Glengarry Windfarm Trust requesting funding for the annual school trip. He feels that the trust is set up for the benefit of the community and that the school must surely be of benefit to the whole community.

New Parent Council Members

Tracey and Gayle informed the council of their intentions to step down as Chair/Clerk at the next meeting. Gayle will write to all parents/carers before the next meeting to ask if anybody would like to come along and be a part of the Parent Council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING/AGM

Monday, 16th May 2011, 7.00pm.