

Monymusk School Parent Council Meeting (held online on Teams)

Tuesday 22nd March 2022

MINUTES

1. Welcome and apologies

Present: Fiona Esson (Chairperson), Jan Watt (Treasurer), Laura Ferguson (committee member), Jill Moir (Head Teacher), Jane Veitch (P1,2 teacher) Joanne Reid, Gemma Wood, Lauren Ferguson, Rob Brookes (joined mid way)

Apologies: none

2. Approval of minutes – Meeting 4th November 2021 – no comments or amendment and so approved

3. Matters arising from previous minutes – all covered elsewhere

4. Treasurer's Update (see report at AGM of same date)

No change - £2,500 remains in account from Onefamily (see below) leaving available funds of approx. £400.

Jan advised the meeting that she had proposed Monymusk School Parent Council as a beneficiary of event being organised by Nadia Sharman on 3rd June and it had been approved. Tickets are already on sale.

5. Headteacher's Report – see attached, plus additional points as follows:

Reconfiguration of the school day – rationale to be issued to parents in the next week hopefully.

Parents Evening - Mrs Moir to find out if the council guidelines will be available in time to allow the meetings at the start of May to be held face to face, all agreed that this would be preferable, and the meeting dates could be moved if necessary to accommodate this.

6. Action Points

Homework Policy and Positive Relationships Policy – covered in HT report.

Pupil Council – will be re-established after the summer, along with pupil groups

Grant applications

Onefamily grant – £2,500 remains in bank account. Looking at shade sail and more storage. Jan asked if the possibility of a permanent shelter could be revisited, with assistance from the Council, since the school lost a building (what about insurance?) – separate meeting required to discuss. Mrs Moir to see if QIO can provide any guidance.

TESCO community grant application – Fiona still to complete return (school have provided copies of receipts)

Textile fund – Nothing required at present

7. Events and Fundraising

Muddy Run 2022 – Rob Brookes has begun the organisation of the Muddy Run with a proposed date of 25th June. Sir Archie has agreed to the use of the Estate (same course as recent years). Same format as previous years

(Rob helped organise alongside Graham Strachan). Rob will draft an email to parents and meeting to be held at the hall to progress plans. Proposed meeting date Wednesday 30th March 7pm. Fiona to book hall.

Raffle (carried over from last year) – to be drawn at Evening with Maureen Smith event on 3rd June

8. News, correspondence, invitations

Information received from Aberdeenshire Council has been shared by email with parents through the school.

Useful websites/information for parents:

Education Scotland - <https://education.gov.scot/improvement/covid-19-education-recovery/>

Scottish Government Guidance for Schools

<https://www.gov.scot/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-reducing-the-risks-in-schools/>

<https://www.npfs.org.uk>

<https://www.connect.scot>

<https://education.gov.scot> – scroll down to “subscribe to our newsletters” – various ones to choose from.

Facebook pages:

- National Parent Forum Scotland
- Connect (formerly Scottish Parent Teacher Council)
- Education Scotland