



Largs Academy Parent Council Meeting Wednesday 20th April 2022, 6.30pm, on Zoom

Minutes

Present: Molly Wilson (Secretary), John Doherty (Headteacher), Cara McKee (Chair), Anne Anderson (Treasurer), Aaron Kinning, Lily Ewing, Natalie Clark, Barry Wilson, Gillian Scott, Shaukat Aron, Denise Cook, Craig Smith, Laura Hunter

1. Apologies: Tom Marshall, Andrew Milner, Samantha Proctor. Samantha Proctor is stepping down from the Parent Council
2. Minutes of previous meeting: 3rd March 2022
 - a. Amendment: It was Lynn Cameron-Finn not John Blair who asked about Ukraine donations.
3. School Show Cast (C Smith, L Ewing & A Kinning)
 - a. School Musical – Shrek, 19th – 22nd June 2022.
 - b. Tickets available on Ticket Store, links are up on social media.
4. Skills Development (N Clark, B Wilson, D Cook & G Scott)

A staff working group has been set up to look at improving skills development for progression into the world of work for students, this is a school priority. As well as developing skills they want to raise awareness of young people's existing skills and their applications. So far they have consulted with S6 leadership groups and Paul Aitkin from Skills Development Scotland and developed a building block skills framework. Intend to consult with the parent body.
5. School holiday calendar
Looked at the proposed school calendar for next year. No concerns.
6. Bid - Bouncy Land fun & social activity for S1, S2, and P7s (D McTaggart)
 - a. Happy to fund the bid as is. Unanimous agreement.
 - b. L Cameron Finn had pointed out that things like snacks and beverages might be provided by Community Champion at Morrisons or similar at Co-op. Agreed to approach them in future.
 - c. A Anderson & J Doherty will liaise to arrange payment.
7. Head Teacher's update (J Doherty)
 - a. Term four plans (B Wilson) – Study Leave for S4 students upwards to start 25th April and end 31st June 2022. Timetable change due to happen in stages starting on 3rd May. Looking at plans for S6 graduation event in early June.



- b. Health and Safety update (many covid mitigations lifting):
 - i. masks no longer required in the school, although North Ayrshire Council say they encourage their use, so it's personal choice and is slowly phasing out.
 - ii. Parent Council meetings could move back to being in person.
 - c. Pupil and Parent Feedback on the options process – moved to next meeting.
 - d. Relationships Policy Update (B Wilson). – moved to next meeting.
8. No questions to the school.
9. Update from Treasurers.
- a. Parent Council (A Anderson) - £3,752 in the school's account.
 - b. PTA report update (L Adams) - no update provided, did not attend.
10. Date of Next Meeting - Thursday 16th June 2022 – 6.30pm