

Selkirk High School Parent Partnership
MINUTES of Committee Meeting 22nd February 2016

	Present: Diane Martin (Treasurer), Catriona Bird (Clerk), Hazel Fraser (Fundraising Organiser), Ruth Scott, Wilma Burgon, Vicky Davidson, Helen Ross Sihle Ndima aka Mhligo (South African visitor from Journey to Change)	Action
	Meeting chaired by: RS Clerk: CB	
	Apologies: IB, Jane Macdonell,	
	Welcome: RS welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
3	Approval of Minutes of & Matters Arising: Proposed by RS Seconded by HF Matters Arising: i) SHSPP Logo – S1 IT classes entering competition; entries should be ready by April ii) SHS Facebook update – suggested that Brian send a message via Facebook for parent admin helper	CB WB/BC
4	Treasurer's Report Balance: £846.12 Cash: £21 Earned: Money from Rag Bag £61.60 Christmas Show Refreshments £163.11 Spent: £100 Journey to Change	
5	Fundraising report & 5050 Club Fundraising – Jan meeting discussed possible fundraising activities Feb meeting confirmed Ceilidh to be held on 18 March HF produced posters & tickets (to be guillotined by office staff) Ian Lowthian & friends to entertain Hall has been booked & forms filled. Aim to sell 150 tickets (hall can hold 125 people but some people buy tickets & then don't come) Minutes of 22 Feb are available for anyone who would like to see them. Email & facebook notice to be sent re 8th March meeting at County Hotel 50:50 Club – 70 members now	HF HF/WB/BC
6	Head Teacher's Report Staffing Teaching staff remains stable. Mrs Everett is to be absent again from the end of this month for planned medical reasons. In anticipation of the absence, Mrs Everett has completed course work with certificated classes. Mr Fay, a qualified Physics supply teacher, will cover the timetable. Support staff – We wished Ms Jackie McPhee well as she left on Friday to take up a full time post in a local Nursery. Another member of the team is absent for medical reasons. Neither position will be filled before the Easter holiday in anticipation of the ASN review outcome. Janitorial position – Mr Ewan McDougall was successfully appointed to the temporary post prior to the Christmas holiday and took up the position several weeks ago. 2016/17 Senior Phase Curriculum The 2016/17 plan is attached showing the courses on offer to S4, 5 and 6 students next session. The choice is to be an open one with students selecting courses/experiences to set criteria depending on year group and circumstance. The aim of changes to the curriculum and procedures is to improve satisfaction rate, increase choice and raise attainment. DSW (Developing Scotland's Workforce) Sara Ward has been appointed on a part time basis to support the implementation of DSW in SHS. The focus of her work will be to increase and improve links with local employers and businesses and improve and increase work based learning opportunities for students. Sara is currently creating local business/employer profiles and will be liaising with businesses and	WB

	<p>employers to establish how we can work together to ensure that students are better informed of employment opportunities, and are better prepared for the world of work. The opportunity to participate in a work based learning experience is now formally incorporated in to the 2016/17 Senior Phase Curriculum open choice.</p> <p>Journey to Change The senior student Journey to Change Committee welcomed our South African visitors who arrived from Durban today. Sihle, the teacher who is accompanying the group, is with us tonight. Nompelo and Zanele will be with us for the week and are staying with host families. A programme of activities is planned, including a ceilidh to take place on Thursday night. The committee and our visitors, along with students from Lasswade High School are preparing for a conference to take place at Lasswade High School next week. The purpose of the visit is to encourage young people, through working together, to gain an understanding of and respect for cultural difference and to work together to overcome the challenges associated with gender inequality and inequality of opportunity.</p> <p>Sihle will provide a brief overview of his work with young people in South Africa.</p> <p><i>Sihle gave details of his very varied work in South Africa involving helping street children and others. He has a website www.from-the-roots.org He raises funds through his work as a photographer & sound studio recordist. He provides many activities for the children including art, drama, poetry & music.</i></p> <p>Forthcoming events to be publicised and supported Fashion Show is to take place on 23rd March – details on the attached poster.</p> <p>Mrs Burgon 21/02/16</p>	
7	<p>AOB</p> <p>Creative Fashion Show – 23 March. Posters available to advertise this event. Help with providing refreshments would be very much appreciated. HF/DM/CB available to help & CB to check supplies.</p> <p>Rag Bag Day - 15 March Email & Facebook message to go out with details</p> <p>Fundraising Group meeting Tuesday 8th March 2016 7pm in the County Hotel (WB & CB unable to attend)</p>	<p>HF/DM/CB</p> <p>HF</p> <p>HF</p>
8	<p>Date of Next Meeting SHSPP Monday 18th April 2016 at 7pm</p>	<p>WB/IB/CB</p>

Senior S4 to S6 Choices information see attached.

National Qualifications	N4	N5	H	AH ^Δ
Administration and IT	✓	✓	✓	⊕
Art and Design	✓	✓	✓	⊕
Biology	✓	✓	✓	✓
Business Management	✓	✓	✓	⊕
Chemistry	✓	✓	✓	✓
Creative Industries		✓	✓	
Design and Technology	✓	✓	✓	✓
Drama	✓	✓	✓	
<i>English</i> *	✓	✓	✓	✓
French	✓	✓	✓	✓
Geography	✓	✓	✓	✓
Graphic Communication	✓	✓	✓	✓
Health and Food Technology	✓	✓	✓	
History	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hospitality	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>Maths</i> **	✓	✓	✓	✓
Modern Studies	✓	✓	✓	✓
Music	✓	✓	✓	✓
Physical Education	✓	✓	✓	⊕
Physics	✓	✓	✓	✓
Practical Woodworking	✓	✓		
<i>Science</i> ***	✓			
Spanish	✓	✓	✓	✓
Psychology (S6) – college Thurs or Fri, 1.15-4.15pm			✓	
Software Development (S5/6) – college Tues & Thurs, 1.15-3.45pm	✓	✓		

* *Nat 4 English pupils may also study Nat 4 Media Studies as part of the course.*

** *Nat 4 Maths pupils may also study N5 Numeracy as part of the course.*

*** *Nat 4 Science pupils may also study Nat 4 Environmental Science as part of the course.*

^Δ *Advanced High Courses will only run subject to sufficient numbers* ⊕ *These courses may be available to study at another school*

Vocational Courses at Borders College, Galashiels Campus, 1:45pm-3:45pm unless stated

Construction, National 4	TUES & THURS
Early Education and Childcare, National 4	TUES & THURS
Engineering Academy, National 4	TUES & THURS
Motor Vehicle Maintenance, National 4	TUES & THURS
Health and Social Care, Foundation Apprenticeship SCQF Level 6	TBC
Hairdressing and Beauty, City & Guilds	THURS
Introduction to Digital Photography, National 4	TUES & THURS
Landbased: Rural Skills for Work (1:15-4:15)	THURS - HAWICK
Sport and Recreation, Level 4/5	TUES & THURS

Opportunities For S5/6

South East Scotland Academies – Fridays 9am – 1pm
Creative Industries Academy, Level 6
Food Science Academy, Level 6
Health and Social Care Academy, Level 6
Hospitality and Tourism Academy, Level 6
Wider Achievement Opportunities
Work Based Learning
Leadership Award, Level 5/6 Volunteering & School Service
Sports Leadership & Leisure Games
Volunteering (Saltire Award)
Survival Cookery – Food Hygiene Certificate
Study (<i>S5 studying 4 or more Highers and S6 Only</i>)
YASS Course (<i>S6 Only</i>)

Name : _____ **Class :** _____

Future / Career Aspirations: _____

How will you get there? What does your learning journey look like?

S4

S5

S6

Proposed Programme of Study for S4 in 2016/17		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All pupils will continue with English and Maths • Select 4 additional courses you would like to study <u>in order of preference</u> • Make a reserve choice – eg a subject you would like to study if you can't do one of your first four. 		
<i>Choice</i>	<i>Course & Level</i>	<i>Notes</i>
	ENGLISH	
	MATHS	
1		
2		
3		
4		
RESERVE		
<i>Comments</i>		