

Selkirk High School Parent Partnership

MINUTES of Committee Meeting Tuesday 31st March 2015 at 7pm

1	<p>Present:, Wilma Burgon, Iain Burke (Chair), Catriona Bird (Clerk), Ruth Scott</p> <p>Meeting chaired by: Iain Burke Clerk: Catriona Bird</p>	Action
	<p>Apologies: Susan Crooks, Sally Forster (Treasurer), Elaine Oliver, Hazel Fraser, Margaret Sweetham, Bruce Reed, Lisa McIntyre</p>	
2	<p>Welcome: IB welcomed everyone to the meeting. It was agreed since there were so few of Committee able to be present that not all items could be covered at this meeting and that the other items on the Agenda would be postponed to the next SHSPP meeting.</p>	
	<p>Presentation from S3 regarding the Junior Broad General Education Award Eilidh Robertson, Kimberley Beaton and Caitlin Wright This would be a certificate for every S3 student to mark the end of their broad general education. The S3 committee were looking for feedback on what they have proposed so far. It was obvious from the presentation that a great deal of thought has gone into what should be on these certificates. Below (in italics) are draft suggestions and are to be discussed further before final decision is made. <i>Attendance – Gold for 90% plus, Silver 80-89% and Bronze for 70-79%</i> <i>Subjects for individual pupils would be listed down the left hand side</i> <i>Colour of student's house at the bottom</i> <i>Explanation under the title</i> <i>Positive comments from peers and teachers (anonymous)</i> <i>PSE – during these sessions there will be an opportunity to write positive comments concerning their peers</i></p> <p>Feedback from SHSPP Attendance – would need to take into account any valid reasons (eg ill health) for non-attendance so not seen as being negative. WB stated that Pastoral staff could monitor this. Right hand side – suggested listing other activities such as Student Rep on Student Council or House Rep or other internal service to the school or in Sports</p> <p>Action Plan Presenting Awards at a special assembly for S3 by SMT Show slide show of activities through S1-3 Certificates are to be printed at Graphics Dept at SBC</p> <p>IB congratulated and thanked the S3 girls for their presentation.</p>	
3	<p>Approval of Minutes of 24th February Meeting & Matters Arising: Postponed until next meeting due to lack of number present.</p>	
4	<p>Career Event Feedback “B All U Can B” Generally the feedback had been very positive and it was extremely well supported – it was suggested that there were too many people and that parking had been an issue. This would need to be looked at for the next time. Excellent slogan. Generally felt that every 2 or even 3 years would be sufficient. Now that the school has a data base of parents willing to share their career paths PSE could use their sessions to invite parents in to speak to classes or year groups. Rather than opening it up to the whole school perhaps S1-4 should be included – to be discussed further.</p>	WB/SC/IB
5	<p>Treasurer's Report Balance: £1698.52 Cash: £21.35 Plus 5050 account. It was agreed (as it has been discussed in previous meetings) to put £1000 up for department bids. WB to bring the bids to the next meeting.</p>	SF WB

6	<p>Fundraising report & 5050 Club Raffle ticket sales were rather disappointing (under £300 before the printing cost and prize money) but this was partly due to lack of time for selling before the Career Event. CB intimated that Catherine who had won first prize has kindly donated the prize money back to school funds. No change in number of members of 5050 Club but several winners had kindly donated their winnings back to school funds.</p>	EO CB
7	<p>Head Teacher's Report Staffing – Ms Joanne Gilfillan will be joining the Expressive Arts faculty as soon as arrangements are in place. Ms Gilfillan is currently teaching Art & Design at Kelso High School.</p> <p>Curricular choice process – Senior Phase curricular choice is underway as is S2 in to S3 choice process.</p> <p>Study Leave - letter attached detailing arrangements</p> <p>MidYIS testing (Middle Years Information System) – the assessment will be administered to all S2 pupils at the end of April. The purpose of the assessment is to establish a baseline in relation to vocabulary, maths, non-verbal, and skills. The evidence generated by the assessments can be used diagnostically to compare against national standards, to create profiles that will support identification of need, and to measure progress on a value added basis.</p> <p>Pupil Questionnaire – attached is a draft questionnaire that will be administered using Survey Monkey prior to study leave. Feedback will be used to identify strengths and inform future developments.</p> <p>Window replacement programme – this will continue during the Easter holidays with replacement of windows in Rm 9, the conservatory, and Rms. 10 a, b, & c.</p>	WB
8	<p>AOB Memorial tree update – WB stated that Andrew Bunyan has been contacted re the stone mount for the plaque. SHSP – logo update – CB asked for confirmation whether the Partnership is officially known as “Parent Partnership” or “Partnership” – it was agreed that it should be known as “SHS Parent Partnership” so it is easily recognisable. CB to meet C Orr to discuss brief for the logo competition to be open to every student.</p>	WB CB
9	<p>Date of Next Meeting SHSPP Tuesday 12th May 2015 at 7pm</p>	WB/IB