

**Garrowhill Primary School Parent Council AGM
6.30-7:00pm**

Attendees: Angela Patrick (Vice Chair/Secretary)
Gayle Clarkson (Headteacher)
Tracy Byrne (Teaching Staff Representative)
Laura Beastall (Depute Head)
Lindsey Connolly
Gillian McLellan (Treasurer)
Gemma McPike
Laura McCosh

Apologies: Lee Bennie
Amanda Giraud (Chairperson)
Cherie Lincoln

New Members

Debbie Ryan (by email)

Approval of accounts

Gillian will pass to Linda Clark to complete if no one else available.

Election of office bearers-no email nominations received

Election of Chair - Angela Patrick but would be ideal to have someone else shadow

Election of Vice Chair – Gillian McLellan

Election of Treasurer – Gillian McLellan

Election of Secretary – Angela Patrick to continue in role however as last year would be ideal to have someone shadow to give smooth transfer over

Garrowhill Primary School Parent Council Meeting

13 September 2022 7p.m. – 8.00 p.m.

Present:

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Minutes

Angela Patrick

1 Welcome

a) Apologies

Apologies were noted.

Review Previous Minutes

2 The previous minutes from 26 April 2022 were reviewed but no actions outstanding.

Action	Who

3 **Head Teachers Report**

School Roll and Staffing

School Roll is currently: 445

We have two probationer teachers working with us this year. Miss Mhairi Ferguson in P6F is supported by Lorna Chatham PT and Miss Chloe Adie in P7C is supported by Tracy Byrne PT.

Miss Jacqueline Gardiner is a new Support for Learning Worker who will be joining our team soon.

Budget

School budget has been cut this session but we are managing well.

School fund – **£2,373 available**. This is quite low although we are hopeful the dance-a-thon will raise money for us. This will be used to pay for buses, trips, panto, etc. We are also keen to raise money to upgrade the senior open area and continue development of our school grounds.

We are keen to develop the outdoor area, particularly the shrubbery. We will be putting a plea out to all families looking for help in this area.

PEF

We have received £45,325. This is not a huge sum of money. This will pay for staffing – PEF PT differential payment and 2 for 1 probationer teachers to allow some more flexibility for Principal Teachers and Support for Learning.

Attainment – ACEL

Scottish Government has changed the way we look at attainment. It now covers overall attainment in Literacy and Numeracy for P1, 4 & 7 stages.

Last session:

Literacy – 92.9%

Numeracy – 96.7%

School Improvement Plan

- ▶ Wellbeing, Inclusion & Equalities – LGBTQ Toolkit. Links to RSHP and identity.
- ▶ Curriculum – Literacy for All. Routes Through Writing. Numeracy – differentiated instruction linked to maths mastery approach and progression planners across stages. To raise attainment & achievement.
- ▶ Curriculum Building – whole school curriculum plan and what learning looks like in Garrowhill. Including Developing the Young Workforce and meta-skills.
- ▶ Digital Literacy will permeate all areas.

HWB: Wellbeing, Inclusion, Equalities and Equity

Equalities – framework and policy has been launched with staff and SLT have completed initial training on the LGBTQ Toolkit. The main focus for equalities work is about children seeing themselves and their lives reflected in the curriculum.

A Pupil Equalities and Inclusion Group will be established soon and these children will work

with SLT to plan events and assemblies celebrating diversity.

We have updated the library to include books focussing on race, identify, disabilities and LGBTQ+. In infant stages they are using RWI Talk Through Stories – diversity range.

All staff will be completing e-learning modules using the LGBTQ+ toolkit from TIE. Our RSHP programme will also be reviewed to ensure progression and coverage with emphasis on identity.

Learning Provision: Literacy & English and Numeracy & Mathematics

Tracy Byrne leads on Literacy Development in the school. We have identified writing as a focus area. Tracy will be attending Literacy for All training through the Glasgow Improvement Challenge. The main aim is to ensure a clear progression of learning and skills development in our writing programme. This will involve quality assurance visits from SMT and shadowing opportunities for teaching staff.

In numeracy Mastery packs are used to implement CPA approaches. Re-launch numeracy resource boxes and CPA materials. Assessing application of skills. Develop numeracy programme further.

CfE: DYW and Curriculum Building

Focus is on embedding DYW in our curriculum and developing a coherent curriculum rationale incorporating the four contexts of learning. This will also involve us revisiting and revising our BRAVE school values with all stakeholders. Mr Young is leading on DYW work, including enterprise.

Parents' Evening – 12th October

4 **PARENT COUNCIL BALANCE**

Our current balance is £1599.64. Need to arrange for Easy fundraising account to be updated with new bank details

5 **EVENTS-FUNDRAISING**

School are having Halloween things in classes so no need for Discos. We do need to do some sort of fundraising this year as our funds are low-agreed to try 12 days of Christmas this year. This is a raffle where each child will get raffle tickets home and if they want can return money to be entered in the draw. We will ask local business for raffle prizes and for 12 days will get pupils to pick a winning ticket.

We will then discuss the possibility of having a spring fair to boost funds.

6 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

15 November 2022

