

**Libberton Primary School
Parent Council**

**Minutes of the meeting
Held Tuesday 1st October 2019**

1) Present:

- Mrs McGregor, Tom Parker, Rachel Shilliday, Becky Lyon, Sarah & Peter Alcock.

2) Apologies

- Mrs Forde, Mandy Hughes, Kirsty Thompson, Karen Cook, Katrina Sneddon.

3) Minutes of last meeting

- Minutes – proposed by Rachel Shilliday and seconded by Sarah Alcock

4) Matters arising

Previous minutes:

- Credit Union – starting in school 24/10.
- Blackmount newsletter – **Yes we sent info to newsletter lady-not sure if it is in the recent newsletter.**
- Constitution – this needs to be redone to make it relevant and appealing for grants. **Action: Ask Christina to help with this – will help with consultation and provide examples of other ones to help. Subcommittee – Becky, Mrs McGregor, Christina. Still to do.**
- Facebook – great success.

5) Treasurer Report

Treasurers report parent council:

- £2090.49 bank balance on 29/9/19
- £200 funding for the bus for the trip to New Lanark.

6) Correspondence

None

7) Head Teachers Report

- 36 pupils. Miss Scott and Miss Neillis very good team. Mrs Macdonald freed up time to go into the top class. Mrs Forde covers teacher's timeout, covering technology & Literacy.

- Lots planned for the next term. P4-7 Sky studios. HMRC coming in. Parents open morning. Open assembly on New Lanark topic.
- Christmas cards to come. Pictures already out.
- P7 Leavers hoodies – parents to pay??? End of year.
- Kit list for Kingswood to be handed out soon.
- Upgrade to laptops from desk tops, 6 of the existing at £150 each and upgrade 3 desk tops @ £0 each and then looking for parent council to fund the two extra laptops @ ~ £450 each from RM. – look at round table for funding – Becky to email check how much the grants for? Parent council agree to pay.
- Breakfast club set up for all SLC schools for august. Been really well attended and good atmosphere.

8) Funding

Micro fund - £500/yr. community council – use for either sand, broadband 4G interim solution or computers.

Phase two renewable fund – community council will run this fund and we fall within its boundary so will be able to apply for this pot of money, which is £85, 000 per council (6 councils).

9) Broadband – Mrs Mcgregor to contact SLC about interim solution – 4G. Council or us to fund it. BT looking at long term solution.

10) Wish list

Sand – 120 bags = 3T - £341 BHC on spec for school free delivery.

Homework bags – P1s given them possibly in the future.

Computers above

4G interim solution for broadband.

11) Facebook suggestions for the meeting.

Kids growing veg and selling to the parents. Ask for volunteers to help with this – Cristina?

Darcy & Kirsty – having Scenty open day Sunday 6th October. Raffle proceeds to school.

Home work – should P7s have more homework? To step up for high school? Thoughts from teachers?

P7 Drug education - 'Healthy in schools' – look on website for school education content. Elma to take comments back regarding drug use in Biggar high school.

Shoe box appeal – is this something we could do in the school?

Cristina – Mexican day of the dead. Elma has concerns over death issue but a Mexican culture day would be fine. A proportion of the children have bereavement issues at the moment.

- Repair café, help fix broken items / toys. Agreed good idea.
- Processing organic matter for animal feed. Not really something the school has time to do but would happily focus on reducing waste by weighing the waste and seeing if it could be reduced daily.

12) Fundraising:

- Race night – in Quothquan hall. Sarah has the stuff. Alastair Hutten suggestion. Open up to more of the community. February time?
- Auction
- Sponsored walk up Tinto – Pete’s idea
- Christmas raffle – on school Christmas night. Sarah to letter shops in Biggar. Sell tickets in a local shop / café same as last year.
- We fundraise for the school but we keep a lower limit on our fund i.e. £500 that we can’t fall below.
- One fund raiser per term suggested.

13) Forward Planning

- Stay and play – Wednesday 23rd stay and play, future back to Monday.
- Ideas for trips: Dumfries House, amazon – distribution centre Dunfermline.

9) AOB

- Music tuition for P5s – flute only
- Laura Forde – Stem week – Dumfries house

10) Date of next meeting

- 26th November 7pm – ask Tracey to book.