Libberton Primary School Parent Council

Minutes of the meeting Held Wednesday 29th January 2020

1) Present:

• Mrs McGregor, Tom Parker, Rachel Shilliday, Becky Lyon, Sarah Alcock, Karen Cook

2) Apologies

• Mrs Forde, Mandy Hughes,

3) Minutes of last meeting

• Minutes – proposed by Tom Parker and seconded by Sarah Alcock

4) Treasurer Report

Treasurers report parent council:

- £3125.18 bank balance on 29/1/20
- £200 promised for bus for the tall ship school trip. February.
- Funding P7 hoodies for free school meal families.
- £500 funding from community council & £250 from Lanark Round table for funding towards the new computers. – Update on these: Undecided between laptops and chrome books.

5) Correspondence

None

6) Head Teachers Report

- 36 pupils. P1s 3 children possible 1 placing request.
- Two teachers, two teachers between Wiston, our PEFF funding may drop next year as free school meal pupil's drop. Wiston's roll is dropping from 18 to 13 pupils next year so dropping from 2 to 1 teacher. We also have Amy Elwood 4th year student on placement for 3 months.
- Mini inspection in a few weeks, voluntary inspection. Gives good snap shot. One day at each school talking to staff, pupils & possibly parents.
- Parent app no password as everything is on website anyway. Question will be if we will go paperless or still need some letter to some parents.
- Parent pay going well.

- Outdoor still no further forward.
- Diaries are they being used? Mixed view with parent council.
- Giggle me Happy book woman kind £5, flyer coming home. Money raised will go to local schools.
- 19/2 7.00pm Jude coming to Tinto primary school for presentation on the new curriculum on sexual health. Next term after Easter we will have a 4 week block.
- RM still going to look at 4G nothing happened.
- P7 hoodies money in, size sorted, then they will be ordered and couple of weeks for delivery.

STEM

- Mrs Forde trained up and school looking into how they bring more into the school.
- She is going to use the new information on the STEM club.

Cost of the school day

- Poverty in Clydesdale quite high. Higher levels of poverty of families who are in work. 70% of children in poverty are in working families. Clydesdale south 25% of children in poverty one of the highest.
- School day costs: clothes, pencils etc., trips, travelling to from school, dress down day (peer pressure), eating at school, fun events (i.e. Halloween fancy dress, have a swap day to help and Christmas jumper). School clubs – transport issue. Home learning – IT homework online creating financial pressure for IT equipment.
- Libberton; swap shops for Halloween / Christmas. Dress down days for donation not a set price. Fancy dress days do in school: not bring in but design in school i.e. masks, make dress from bin bag, dress up a cup in school. We already do book swap and Second hand Uniform stall at stay and play.

7) Funding

- Table top sales
- Easter chick hunt, Biggar. Rachel, Christina & Becky to organise.
- May fun day: suggest doing our own food / BBQ can ask for a donation not sell then okay for H&S. But we decided to leave this until next year.
- Family sponsored walk up Tinto Hill and then a picnic back at the school. Saturday 30th May. Rachel will do a letter to parents from the parent council, and Sarah will do sponsorship forms. 10am start Tinto car park and then picnic at school after.
- 8) AOB

• Stay and play Thursday 13th – Karen tea/coffee. Sarah to put on Facebook for home baking.

9) Date of next meeting

• Thursday 12th March 2020, 7pm –Please can you book this Tracey?