



# Sgoil Ghàidhlig Ghlaschu

## Elected Parent Council meeting minutes

Date: 23/10/2012

### Attendees :

Donalda	Yes	Bruce	Yes
Rona	Yes	David	Yes
Vanessa	Yes	DI	Apologies
Kate	Apologies	Douglas	Yes
Paul	Yes	Ian	Apologies

### Agenda :

1	Minute secretary appointment	6	2013 National MOD Paisley - role of the PC
2	Agree future meeting dates	7	Development day
3	HT report	8	AOB
4	Glendale school update	9	
5	Legacy money update and next steps	10	

Actions :

Ref	Details	Owner	Date due	Status	Notes - Outcome
Oct1	HT report to minute secretary	DMcC	25/10/2012	Complete	
Oct2	Letter of thanks to be sent to Christine MacNeil	Rona	tbc	New	
Oct3	PC rep to attend Pupil Forum and vice versa	DMcC	tbc	New	
Oct4	Rona to email minutes of Glendale meeting to DH	Rona	tbc	New	To be added to minutes for general distribution within PC forum
Oct5	Vanessa to send out copy of Glendale proposals	Vanessa	tbc	New	document in paper form, to be scanned then sent
Oct6	Donalda produce request for £19k from the legacy fund	DMcC	tbc	New	
Oct7	Rona to send out request for development officer funding of £10k from legacy fund	Rona	tbc	New	
Oct8	Bruce to send DH AGM minutes	BW	tbc	New	
Oct9	Advise Parent Forum of November meeting date change from the 13th to the 20th.	?	tbc	New	Who will do this?
Oct10	Donalda to provide a contact name in GCC for Bruce to contact regarding the legacy money. See action Oct11.	DMcC	tbc	New	
Oct11	Letter to be sent to GCC requesting legacy money be released to the school to be deposited in it's own bank account	BW	tbc	New	Bruce are you producing a letter for review or just pinning it off directly to GCC.

## **Meeting minutes.**

The meeting opened with David Horsburgh being accepted as minute secretary.

New dates for future meetings were then discussed.

The Elected PC team will meet on the following dates :

13/11/2012 - the only item on the agenda is to discuss and agree a response to the Glendale proposal or proposals.

08/01/2013

05/08/2013

30/04/2013

All meetings will begin at the usual time of 7.00 pm.

There is a change of date for the Parent Forum meeting in November from the 13th to the 20th. This is to hopefully have more information in particular around the Glendale proposal to share with the Forum.

Donalda provided an overview of the School Performance Profile - see attached. The high levels of achievement, and generally positive trends, were noted by the Council. A 'parent friendly' version of the document will be produced and sent out to parents.

Donalda then provided the HT report as follows :

### HT Update

Coinneamh Comhairle nam Pàrant

23/10/12

Staffing -

Sgoil Araich – no staffing issues at present.

BS – One member of staff on maternity leave but additionality from August has meant that slight adjustments had to be made to current staffing to accommodate remit. Our two probationer teachers are working hard and doing well. The DHT's have no class commitment which helps with class cover at short notice and managing the Primary/ Nursery curriculum, planning and driving school priorities.

AS – Appointed 3 staff, Music/Art+Design/Computing on fixed term basis with Gaelic language learning part of the remit.

Plans for the Literacy Faculty post to be re-advertised in November and discussions are taking place regarding the other subject areas –Home Economics, Technical/Craft+Design, History and Geography as this Faculty is currently being covered by HT.

Open Days – Bunscoil 31/10/12 9:30am and 1:30pm agus Àrdsgoil 1/10/12

School Improvement Priorities – Promoting Positive Behaviour – A short questionnaire is to be sent to pupils, staff and parents on the theme - How nurturing is our school? There is a review on all policies that support pupils i.e. Anti-bullying, Additional Support needs, Equality and Anti-racism is being undertaken.

Other ongoings:

ECO – flourishing Garden group. Ms Campbell is applying for funding for Gaelic ethos development in the playground

Extra curricular activities very comprehensive primary programme

Sports blog/Website development – training meeting to take place

Royal National Mod Dunoon.

Congratulations to all pupils who participated and those who won! School is very proud of all the achievements. Special thanks to Patricia MacLeod and Kenneth Nicholson who prepared pupils for various competitions and also to the many parents who came to support the young people. We now start thinking about Paisley 2013!

The council also acknowledged the success at the MOD. Particular praise was given to Patricia and Kenneth, echoing Donald's own comments.

#### End of HT report

Rona and Vanessa then provided an update from the recent meeting to discuss the proposals for the new proposed Gaelic primary at Glendale. Minutes from their meeting and the Proposal document to follow these minutes when available.

However the Council was unanimous in the general view that the level of consultation had been poor and the speed at which things were moving was regarded as at best reckless at worst suspicious of a railroading of an already decided on way ahead. The Glendale sub group are meeting again on 07/11/2012 and will report back to our meeting on the 13th.

Donald outlined a coming request to the parent council for £19k from the legacy fund to add ICT equipment in some classrooms. Concern was again expressed at having to use legacy money for this purpose, however Donald pointed out funding would not come from anywhere else and that past equipment of this type was provided through fund raising efforts. It was agreed that another round of fund raising at its time was out of the question. It was further noted that the equipment will aid in the teaching and learning of Gaelic for both pupils and teachers.

There was general agreement the request should go ahead.

Rona then advised she was preparing a request was for around £10k from the legacy fund, for a Development Officer post.

The idea of a separate meeting to move forward how to best utilise the development fund was raised but not finalised.

It was also suggested at the school should try to obtain the money from Glasgow City Council and lodged in an interest bearing account directly associated and controlled by the school.

Due to time restriction item 5 on the agenda was touched on only in reference to funding applications, and drawing down the money from GCC. There was no firm decision made on another meeting to move this issue on.

Also items 6 and 7 were not addressed at all.

The meeting closed at approximately 8.30 pm.