

TIPPERTY SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes

Thursday 16th January 2020

1. Apologies and Welcome-

Moira McKessick, Nicola Gillies and Mrs Comery send apologies

2. Update of actions from the last meeting-

Crisp packets- There has been some confusion whether the School is continuing to collect crisp packets, Miss Buchan has agreed to check this Mrs Williams.

Update: **The Eco group have decided to keep collecting crisp packets.**

Accelerated reading update- £300 has been raised from school fundraising events which will be put towards a selection of new reading books which will enhance the accelerated reading program. The school is currently looking for volunteers to help organise the library which will entail going through the current books and determining which books can be used for accelerated reading and if there are any gaps within the reading levels that books need to be purchased for. The school is also looking for any donations of children's books from families of the school or the community which could be used for accelerated reading.

PTC Budget shopping list- To be reviewed at a later date.

Tesco Tokens update- A proposal has been put together for the outdoor classroom and contractors have been approached for quotes from the approved council list. The school is currently waiting for a response from these contractors.

3. Chairman's Report-

Sue has recently met with Danica from Aberdeenshire Council to share an overview of parent views regarding the prospect of a dual headship for both Tipperty and Foveran Schools. Sue advised Danica that the parents of Tipperty School were not in favour of this post and we would like to remain as an individual school with its own head teacher.

4. Treasurers Report-

To be heard at the next meeting

5. Head Teacher Report-

The council have been approached again about child safety coming in and out of the school grounds.

6. Constitution update -

Christine McLennan, Education support officer at Aberdeenshire Council attended the meeting. She presented how a PTC should run including the roles of the PTC offices and who can stand in these offices. She also suggested some ideas for fundraising and the importance of having our own PTC bank account which is separate from the school account. It was advised that our current constitution is out of date so a new one needs to be created as a priority. A meeting on the 6th February 2020 has been organised to complete this action.

7. Planning and Fundraising-

It was advised that there needs to be more communication from the PTC with the parents of Tipperty School, it was agreed that a way we can do this would be to send out small questionnaires to gather opinion and input regarding future fundraising activities.

We are also looking to have a group of fundraising helpers who would get together to support fundraising. An upcoming opportunity for this will be to support the 'Evening with Maureen Smith' which will be a good chance to raise valuable funds. From this group of helpers, it would be required for at least one person to attend PTC meetings to report back on achievements.

It was agreed that the 'Maureen Smith evening' will enable us to raise extra funds for the outdoor classroom to ensure it is completed to a good quality for the children and lessons that it will be used for.

8. Parent Items –

Constitution- discussed by Christine McLennan.

9. Date of next meeting-

Constitution meeting- Thurs 6th February at 6:30pm (location and address to be confirmed)

PTC meeting- Thurs 19th March at 6:30pm at the school (provisional)