**Lorne Street Parent Council**

**Meeting Minutes**

**4/9/17**

**Attendees:**

Linda Stewart, Alison Marshall, Debbie Broadley, Susan Cairns, Trisha Tarbert, Alex Nicolson, Trish Walker,

**Apologies:** Eilidh McNaught

**Treasurer’s Update**

A/c balance £1745.25

Previous Balance 22/5 - £1165.11

5/6/17 Paid out £194.35 – Hoodies

5/6/17 Paid out £161.34 – Fun Day (Linda)

5/6/17 Paid out £193.37 – Fun Day (Alex)

5/6/17 Paid in £623.00 – Fun Day

15/6/17 Paid in £53.00 – Raffle

27/6/17 Paid in £53.20 – Rag A Bag

26/7/17 Paid in £400.00 – Glasgow City Council

A Rag Bag pick up is due which will add additional funds.

**Parent Council Membership**

Ways of increasing membership discussed. Dates for morning and evening meetings have been identified and will be included in the next newsletter. The school Pupil Council will be involved in helping to raise awareness of the Parent Council to try to encourage more parents to be involved. Linda is happy to continue as chairperson until the AGM meeting. Proposed dates for future meetings are as follows:

Monday 2nd October 6pm

Monday 6th November 9am

Monday 4th December 6pm – AGM

Monday 29th January 9am

Monday 26th February 6pm

Monday 26th March 9am

Monday 23rd April 6pm

Monday 21st May 9am

Monday 11th June 6pm

**Head Teacher Update**

*Asda Bag Pack –* Asda have allocated Lorne Street Saturday 7th October from 11am until 4pm for bag packing. Forms will be sent to parents requesting them to volunteer for a slot.

*Inspection Report* – The Report is due to be published on the 22nd September and will be discussed in more detail at the October meeting.

*Staffing* – Ms Anwar has returned from maternity leave and is teaching p6, Mrs Ali (CDO) is working part time with primary 1, Mr. McClay has been made permanent to the school, Miss Maun is p1 probationer teacher and Mrs. Dunn is now at Shawlands Primary.

*PEF Funding* – 20% SIMD 1 and 2 banding at Lorne Street and this will be used to focus resources to help close the attainment gap. Our PEF funding was allocated to a PEF teacher and CDO.

*PEF Teacher* – Ms Tarbert talked about her role this session as PEF teacher and Leader of Learning for literacy. As LOL she will continue with work done in previous years by Mrs. Fraser and Miss Clark. Ms Tarbert is also looking at writing and reading across the school. Reading benchmarking will be undertaken for all children from primary 2 to primary 7. The library will be upgraded and a grant applied for to update books. A lunchtime reading club is planned and Ms Tarbert and Mrs Ali are planning to work together on an after school homework reading club on Mondays.

*Playground* – Upgrade complete from lottery funding and potholes temporarily filled in. Councillor Kane to be approached regarding returning to meetings to give support to issues like this.

*Maths* – All staff had input from Glasgow Counts during August in service to help modernise teaching and learning in maths. There will be a greater use of ‘concrete materials’ in maths teaching and this will be a focus for homework during maths week Scotland to help raise awareness with parents. The parent council agreed to donate £300 towards purchasing maths materials for the school.

*Playroom* – The music room will be turned into a playroom as part of the CDO/PEF focus.

*Parking* – still concerns over parking outside the school and this will be highlighted via twitter.

**Parent Council Funds**

Discussion over children’s interest in ipads and how children are enjoying learning maths using the sumdog app. Parents agreed that it would be helpful to have a fundraising goal for money earned this session and suggested buying additional ipads so that there would be enough in school to have a class set.

Establishing a second hand uniform shop as a way of recycling and raising funds was talked about and this will be trialled at the first parents’ night.

School Badge was discussed and adding the values to this. This has been seen in other schools.

Credit Union – this could be a good opportunity for children to save and could be used to teach pupils about money.

Bank Account – There have been issues updating the signatures required for the parent council account.

**Action Items**

Pupil Council to assist with recruiting new parent council members Alex/PC

Parent Council Meeting Dates to be included in Sept newsletter Trish

Bag Packing Letter to Parents Alex

Invite Councillor Kane to next meeting Linda

Highlight school parking on twitter Trish

Uniform Stall at parents’ night All

Update Bank Account Details Parent C

Investigate adding values to school badge Alex

Investigate Credit Union for school Susan

**Next Meeting Monday 2nd October 6pm**