



ST MUNGO'S PARENT COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: MRS TRACEY WHITE

ST MUNGO'S PTA

CHAIRPERSON: MRS ANTOINETTE CHERUBINI-DONALDSON

Minutes of the **Joint Annual General Meeting** of St Mungo's Parent Council and PTA held on Thursday 27th October 2022 at 7pm.

PRESENT:

Parent Council and PTA Members: Steve Feltbower, Merle Stevenson, Siobhan Baird, Sandy Murphy Florence Crozier, Antoinette Cherubini-Donaldson, Lorraine Dixon, Jennifer Millar, Laura Donaldson, Marie McDonald, Olivia Lo.

New Parents attending: Briony Nimmo, Caroline Gourlay, Lyndsay Dennis.

Teacher Representative: Clare Marshall

Councillors: James Kerr.

In Attendance: Tricia Holland – Rector, Anne Hemfrey – Clerk

APOLOGIES: Tracey White, Sofia Akbar, Lorraine Fulton, John Soje, Lesley Mann, Julie MacDonald, Roisin Connell.

MINUTES OF 2021 AGM

The minutes of 2021 AGM were proposed by Florence Crozier and seconded by Marie McDonald.

PTA

A copy of the PTA annual report is attached here.

Antoinette explained that the main role of the PTA is fundraising, the funds raised are spent on equipment for the school and also on school trips.

The main income for the PTA is generated through the 200 Club, which provides a good income stream throughout the year. Income is also raised by holding events such as the recent Quiz and Curry night held in September.

Items funded by the PTA over the past year include:

- Computing Department - coding robots for STEM and technology clubs.
- Breakfast club – funds were donated to start up a breakfast club where pupils have access to free breakfast as part of the cost of the school day incentive.
- Social Subjects – contribution to the YPI scheme where pupils investigate social issues and help local charities to tackle these issues.
- Global Citizens Group – Krispy Crème doughnuts purchased which pupils sold to raise funds for the SCIAF Ukraine appeal.
- PE Department - spare PE kit to promote 100% attendance at PE.
- Christmas presents for some families in the school

The PTA have Twitter and Facebook accounts.

The current balance sheet showing income/expenditure is attached to the annual report.

Stuart Donaldson has resigned as Treasurer. The meeting recorded a vote of thanks to Stuart for his role as Treasurer over several years.

Olivia Lo was appointed as Treasurer and Lindsay Dennis as Social Secretary. These appointments were proposed by Florence Crozier and seconded by Laura Donaldson.

It was agreed that the PTA would review its Constitution at the next meeting.

The PTA meets on the last Thursday of the month and always welcomes new members.

PARENT COUNCIL

WELCOME

As both Tracey White (Chairperson) and John Soje (Vice-Chair) had tendered their apologies and were not present, Steve Feltbower volunteered to chair the meeting. Steve welcomed everyone to the meeting, particularly the new Head Teacher, Tricia Holland.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

There was no Chairperson's report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

There is currently £1388 in the bank account. There was some concern last year that we had been overpaid by the Council, but Merle has checked this out and this figure is correct.

The annual accounts now need to be signed off and Steve confirmed that he was happy to do so.

There were queries from new parents present as to what this money is spent on. Merle explained that a fee of £55 per meeting is paid to the clerk. Other than that, it is up to the Parent Council to decide how they wish to spend the money. Last year it was proposed that some sort of memorial to pupils and parents who have died should be provided eg a memorial garden or stained glass window. This has still to be progressed.

HEAD TEACHER'S REPORT

Tricia introduced herself and explained her background. She has a PhD in Molecular Biology and previously taught at Grangemouth High School for 9 years and Braes High School for 14 years prior to that. She is delighted to have joined St Mungo's and is enjoying getting to know the pupils and teachers. She gave a power point presentation on her vision for the school, which is attached to these minutes.

It also includes information on last year's SQA results.

Tricia confirmed that Parent's nights will once again be online for this academic year. There were queries as to whether the time slots could be increased beyond 5 minutes, but Tricia explained that due to the numbers of pupils involved that is just not practicable. However, if parents have specific concerns, they can contact the school.

OFFICE BEARERS AND MEMBERS

Tracey White has resigned as Chairperson.

The new parents present confirmed that they would like to join the Parent Council, all were accepted.

Steve Feltbower was appointed as Chairperson, proposed by Lindsay Dennis and seconded by Siobhan Baird.

Siobhan Baird was appointed as Vice Chair, proposed by Merle Stevenson and seconded by Lindsay Dennis.

Merle Stevenson was reappointed as Treasurer.

Anne Marie Gregory has resigned from the Parent Council.

Jacqueline Thomson resigned as Church Rep last year, but to date no replacement has been found. Tricia said she would speak to Father Martin re a new Church Rep.

It was agreed that a new Clerk should be sought as Anne is resigning (this was her last meeting). No-one present was interested in taking up the post so it was agreed that it would be publicised within the school. The meeting thanked Anne for her service over the last 10 years.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A query was raised as to whether pupils can leave baking in the HE dept until the end of the day, as there have been incidents of food such as soup being spilt as it is carried about the school from one lesson to the next. Tricia did not think this would be practical, given the numbers taking HE. However, she would speak to the HE dept to see if there were any alternatives. One suggestion from parents is that the food is given to charity (as it is often inedible once it has been stored in a locker for most of the day!)

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Thursday 19th January 2023 at 7pm in the school.