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| Title | **Trinity Parent Council** | | |
| Subject | **Minutes of Meeting** | Meeting Date | Thursday 1 September 2022 |
| Location | Trinity High School/ Teams Conference Call | | |
| Present | Head Teacher: Mrs A Craig<br>Parent Council Members: D. Brennan, S. McPhee, Y. Jackson, A. Weir, M. McKernan, G. Kennedy.<br><br>Invited Guests: L. McCann and A. Simpson. | | |
| Apologies | G. Greechan, M. McBrearty, M. McArdle. | | |

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| 1.0 | Apologies | |
| **1.1** | G. Kennedy, L. Muir, G. Greechan. | |
| **2.0** | Previous Minutes and Matters Arising | |
| **2.1** | Previous minutes adopted as read.<br><br>Proposed: A. Weir<br>Seconded: S. McPhee | |
| **3.0** | PEF Update | |
| 3.1 | Depute Head Teachers of Equity, L McCann and A Simpson provided Parent Council members with an overview of PEF initiatives that took place last year and the impact of these initiative. Discussion also took place regarding this year's Participatory Budget. Adele Simpson explained that our Participatory Budget (PB) will see a small group of pupils meet to discuss how best to spend part of the school's budget. They group will discuss ideas from the whole school community. Adele Simpson invited parents to join the group and listen to these ideas and even add their own. Adele will email a copy of the PowerPoint used at this evening's meeting and will email a formal invite to all members to join the Participatory Budget group.<br><br>Further discussion took place regarding the Cost of the School Day. The issue of hidden poverty was discussed in detail. It was noted that with the cost-of-living crisis families and pupils who would not have typically required financial support will now be requiring this help. A. Simpson noted that this is an area the Equity team are trying to address this year with raising the profile of the Cost of the School Day and making it clear to families and young people that support is available. For example, through the Community Wellbeing Helpline available in | A Simpson |

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| | South Lanarkshire Council and initiatives such as uniform vouchers that the school have been providing.<br><br>G. Kennedy discussed the creation of a Past Paper swap shop that would see pupils' hand in old pass paper booklets that could be used by other pupils in school. G. Kennedy will pass in booklets to Mrs. Simpson to get this initiative started.<br><br>M. McKernan noted that pupils can support our community through experience, action and prayer without further financial burden. For example, Caritas pupils supporting the community through their presence at the Oznam Centre as was the case pre pandemic. M. McKernan noted that St. Vincent De Paul would be able to financially support pupils with transport to and from the centre.<br><br>M. McKernan also noted that St Columbkille's are running a Wellbeing Clinic on the first Saturday morning of every month. This clinic will support families within the community access and understand their full entitlements of state benefits. | G. Kennedy |
| **4.0** | Election of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer | |
| **4.1** | Elections carried forward to next meeting.<br><br>Attendance by all members encouraged at next meeting. | |
| **5.0** | Head Teachers Report including new S1 & SQA | |
| **5.1** | Current Roll: S1 – 225, Total Roll 1226<br><br>Updated Staffing:<br><br>NQT's<br><br>C McLean, Biology<br><br>G Casey, Physical Education<br><br>S Corrigan Modern Studies<br><br>Permanent Staff<br><br>S Sutherland Modern Studies<br><br>A Skillen Physical Education<br><br>C Black Chemistry<br><br>L Stephenson Modern Languages<br><br>SQA Results: Our results this year reflected the results of both the local authority and national trends. | |

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| | The authority looks at our results from A-C and not A- D, even though a D is considered a pass, I presented to staff the information in line with the authorities.<br><br>Key messages in almost all subject areas and almost all SCQF levels our young people did the same as or better than expected. So our young people have been rewarded for the hard work that they put in, by the dedication of our staff in supporting them through the past few years, and by the support given to the school by parents & guardians.<br><br>As you can see at all the key indicators, our young people have achieved the same as or have done better than our 2019 pre covid data, however we have been asked to view this with caution.<br><br>We had some outstanding performances:<br><br>S4<br><br>Total N5 8 A's = 14 Students<br><br>S5<br><br>Total N6 5 A's = 13 Students<br><br>Total N6 5 A Band 1 = 3 Students<br><br>S6<br><br>Total 3x N7 A's = 1<br><br>Total 3x N7 awards = 5 Student<br><br>Overall<br><br>Our S4 results at N5 was above the SLC average.<br><br>Our S5 results at N6 A-C. Above SLC average in all key indicators. 1 @6, 3@6, 5@6<br><br>Our results for S6 at N7 was slightly below the SLC average.<br><br>Industrial Action:<br><br>I can now confirm that there is extensive support from a wide range of unions for the 3-day strike on Tuesday 6 September, Wednesday 7 September and Thursday 8 September 2022. | |

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| | The council is making arrangements to help those families who are entitled to a free school meal. A free school meal payment of £7.50 is expected to be made by Thursday 8 September 2022. The payment will be made directly into bank accounts. However, if there is an issue, parents/guardians have been asked to contact us and we will support them in this regard..<br><br>A hybrid model of work will be offered for our young people, they can make use of both the digital platform and traditional methods of delivery.<br><br>Standards & Quality Report: May I thank Scott for his input into the 2021/22 Standards and Quality Report. This will be published on the school website and informed this year's improvement plan themes/targets. Targets will inform our key priorities of our improvement plan.<br><br>Improvement Plan: The Improvement plan is focused on the following five priorities,<br><br>Strategic Priority 1: Further improve the Health & Wellbeing of young people, their families and our staff<br><br>Strategic Priority 2: Improve our curriculum offer to support raising attainment and achievement<br><br>Strategic Priority 3: Improve further our Learning & Teaching to ensure all our young people are valued and included<br><br>Strategic Priority 4: To develop further as a Catholic community of faith and learning<br><br>Strategic Priority 5: Utilise PEF (Pupil Equity Funding) to promote Equity and minimise barriers to learning<br><br>New School Website Launch:<br><br>The new website has been launched. We are currently populating this with information for young people & parents.<br><br>Traffic Management: We have had some real concerns over traffic in and around the school, with complaints from local residents. We have used social media to highlight this and our Campus Police Officer has been active in speaking with parents.<br><br>School Uniform: it has been great to see our young people back in full school uniform, some teething problems in the delivery of our Senior Phase pupils pleated skirt. We supported our families with either discounted vouchers to purchase blazers, gave some full support with this purchase, issued free school jumpers and had a big push on preloved items which was a great success. Thanks to Geraldine with her support in this matter.<br><br>Outdoor Facilities: Still issues with our outdoor playing field. SPIE came and seeded areas of the park, but due to the good weather, not much success. We | |

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| | have been informed that the playing field will be included in their year three cycle for improvements next summer.<br><br>Awards Ceremony: Senior School Awards Ceremony will take place on Tuesday 20th September. Guest Speaker Frances Swinburne, former Pupil Support manager for Rutherglen & Cambuslang.<br><br>Mobile Phone Policy: Update for council on policy and next steps. | |
| **6.0** | Inclusion & Equalities | |
| **6.1** | M. McKernan to join Pastoral Planning Committee.<br><br>Mobile phone policy discussed. A. Craig to reiterate the message at assemblies that pupils should not be taking pictures of each other without explicit consent. | M. McKernan<br><br>A. Craig |
| **7.0** | School Capacity | |
| **7.1** | Next meeting | |
| **8.0** | Treasurer's Report & PTA Activities | |
| 8.1 | Next PTA meeting will take place on the 12th of September. The organisation of the Christmas Fayre will be discussed at this meeting.<br><br>Information will be placed on the new school website to advertise the PTA with the aim of recruiting new members.<br><br>Christmas Fayre to be discussed at next meeting. | |
| **9.0** | Correspondence in the period | |
| | None. | |
| **10.0** | Any other business (AOB) | |
| | Parent Council funding opportunity discussed. S. McPhee to email Y Jackson regarding the application process to access this funding.<br><br>It was noted that the Parent Council has lost members in recent months. Recruitment drive to take place. It was discussed that it would be good to aim for a spread of parents from all primary schools. A. Craig to send letter to all S1 parents inviting new parent members.<br><br>S McPhee to send Jpeg which will be put on the school Twitter feed inviting new members. | S. McPhee / Y Jackson<br><br>A Craig<br><br>S. McPhee |
| **11.0** | Date & time of next meeting: 6th October 2022 at 7pm | |