

Parent Council Meeting – 18th Jan 2011

Minutes of Meeting

In attendance – Stacey Marko, Kelley Scoular, Chris Cooney, Iain Millar, Sadie Miller and Lyndsaye Tippen.

1. Welcome

Stacey welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. P7 leaving event

It was discussed about the P7 event as to what was actually going to happen. As a group it was discussed about the costing and what we were actually able to fund along with the parents. The school are still waiting on their response from Children in Need for the funding to be used for the camp. They are hopeful that they will receive this funding, however, should the school not be lucky enough to secure the funding then it would come down to asking the parents/carers for their contribution towards camp. Should this be the case then as a collective group it was felt that asking the parents for more money for the 'leaving do' would cause some people stress should they not be able to afford it. Kelley had suggested that we approach the 'Harley Davidson' bikes ... they help a lot in this community and have good links with Kelley due to her work. It was thought that instead of Limo hire that this would ease the burden of trying to organise events to raise money for the cost of such things. Kelley is going to email them to see what, if anything, they could help us with.

3. Summer Fayre

Stacey brought up the question of the summer fayre ... It was thought that perhaps this could be a joint thing with St. Francis and MEYC to be a whole big joint campus thing. Sadie felt that it might be a good idea to approach the parent council from St. F to sound out this idea. It was also felt that we would have to ensure a good turn out of helpers for the day ... how this may be achieved is still an ongoing process!

4. Community Allotments

Iain Millar has been attending the community allotment just beside the school and has advised that there is a space for the school to use should they wish to. Sadie agreed that having an allotment/space by the school would be great and was going to try and get in touch with Chris from Bridgend Allotments.

5. Lack of parental involvement within parent council

Again the meeting had a poor turn out as did the helpers for the xmas fayre. We cannot hold many more events unless we have more helpers on board. It was agreed to look at ways in which we could engage them further. Perhaps a small questionnaire etc. Stacey also brought up about linking in with the transition programme for the new P1's. We could hold an info session for them with teas, coffees etc in the hope to encourage a culture of becoming involved from when their kids start school.

6. Link in with eco group and pupil council.

Sadie and Lyndsaye are going to have a word with Faye and Rhoda to see when we can link up with these groups.

7. AOCB

- Disclosures – Stacey and Chris both agreed to go through this process to become helpers within the school.
- Bee keeping in the wildlife garden ... is this an opportunity??