



Berwickshire High School Parent Council

Minutes of Parent Council Meeting 7th June 2023

Present

Parents: Neil Bennett, Katy Master, Victoria Tait, Mo Lamond

Staff: Bruce Robertson (Rector)

Apologies

Claire Stewart, Wanda-Jane Field, Katrina Reynolds, Amanda Stewart

1. Minutes of Last Meeting

Minutes of the meeting in June were approved

2. Chairperson's Report

Neil updated the Parent Council on the following matters:

- Mental Health update – Christine Brown setting up micro-chairs sub-group – no change in overall situation
- Food in SBC high schools – meeting of chairs – made aware of promotion of new menus for schools in part response to new government legislation
- Parent Council recruitment – agreed that Neil to do presentation at new first parents transition evening
- Dyslexia Support in schools – Neil has spoken to Kathy Huffman, meetings continue. Bruce has spoken to cluster primaries with view to becoming a centre of excellence for dyslexia and gaining dyslexia kite-mark
- 2023 Senior BHS Awards Ceremony – parent council donations agreed

3. Treasurer's Report 2021-2022

The main account balance is £2346.55

The 200 Club account balance is £847.30

Spending: end of term ice cream van, house prizes

4. Fundraising and 200 Club draw

200 Club draw (two months to draw):

May – 1st-54, 2nd – 46, 3rd – 48

June – 1st-19, 2nd, 52, 3rd 29

5. Rector's Report

- School roll falling largely because of senior leavers going to college. Budget changing as a consequence. Various changes to staffing to accommodate
- SQA exams went very well
- Discussed next year's improvement plan

6. Matters raised/AOB

- Christmas Fair – It was proposed we resurrect the Christmas Fayre. Vicki Tait is leading on this, given her experience and success in running the same for Duns Primary. 6pm, Thurs 16th Nov is proposed date
- Discussed having past pupil speakers in to school to present to S4 and S5
- Duns and District Business Forum and A Heart for Duns – keen to connect with school
- Charity Ball in school – Bruce to evaluate

7. DONM

Wednesday 6th September 2023