

Lochside Voice

Summary of AGM held in the gym hall at Lochside Primary on Tuesday 19 September 2017 at 6.00pm

Present Fiona Sword, Rhona Pittendreich, Pamela Strachan, Irene Hughes
Lesley Taylor, Seonaid Ross, Nichola Wilkie, Jennifer Garnes, Laura Kenny, Fiona Mackintosh, Martin Milloy, Donna Birse, Kerry Smith, Rachel Smith, Kieron Smith, Annemarie McVey, Claire Findlay.

Apologies Jennifer Scott, Louise Air, Jacqui Tosh, Laura Armstrong, Karen Foley, Catherine Porter, Pauline Rushworth.

Welcome & Minutes from last AGM

Fiona Sword opened the meeting by welcoming everyone. It was agreed that the minutes from the last AGM were a true reflection of the meeting. Everyone took part in a quick introduction.

Chairperson Report

Fiona Sword started by thanking welcoming and thanking everyone for their hard work and support over the past year and all the years she has been involved in the Committee and served as Chairperson. It was noted that Facebook has proved to be a good way form of communicating with parents/carers.

Thanks to all and a special thanks to Jennifer Scott with her new post having recently announced her planned departure from her role as Headteacher.

Winnie's thank you note for the voucher she received on her retirement was read out.

Fiona Sword followed with a summary of the years events and fundraising which included ...

- Fundraising through various means including Cauliflower Cards and Bingo Night
- Donation of signifcant funds to the school to improve P1-P4 reading scheme resources
- Friendship Benches installed in school playgrounds
- Attendance at meetings in Forfar
- In conclusion it is great to have a positive group so involved with the such a good school.

Treasurer Report

Rhona handed out an Income & Expenditure record to everyone. We had a good year of fundraising some profits coming in at higher levels than others. The bank balance was currently sitting with lower than usual at the moment as a result of the large donation made to the school earlier in the year for new reading books for P1-4's. The other expenditures in the year have been Friendship benches, glowsticks and swimming bags. The balance is healthy enough given all that has been achieved this year and can be built upon in the year ahead. (see separate print out for details of accounts)

Election of New Committee

All committee members stepped down from their positions. The following office bearers and committee members were elected:-

Chairperson

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Nichola Wilkie

Proposed by Jennifer Garnes

		<i>Seconded by Pamela Strachan</i>
Vice Chairperson	- Irene Hughes	<i>Proposed by Nichola Wilkie Seconded by Rhona Pittendreich</i>
Treasurer	- Laura Kenny	<i>Proposed by Jennifer Garnes Seconded by Seonaid Ross</i>
Secretary	- Pamela Evans	<i>Proposed by Pamela Strachan Seconded by Jennifer Garnes</i>
Staff Members elected to committee	- Louise Air, Fiona McIntosh, Martin Milloy	
Parent Members elected to committee	- Pauline Rushworth Lesley Taylor Jennifer Garnes Barbara Taylor Melanie Cargill Karen Weir Rachel Smith Rhona Pittendreich Kerry Smith	Cyndi Thomson Pamela Strachan Karen Foley Seonaid Ross Claire Findlay Annemarie McVey Keiron Smith Donna Birse

Constitutional Amendments

It was proposed Nichola Wilkie that Section 6 – Paragraph 2 should be deleted. This states that the first part of the meeting must be dedicated to discussion on fundraising only which is now considered outdated and hasn't been followed as a format for many years.

It was noted that the quorum and staff to parent ratio's were all fine as per the constitution.

Fundraising ideas & Items for next Agenda

The following in-school fundraising plans were outlined by Fiona McIntosh :

Children in Need – November
Toothbrushes – Jan/Feb
Links Park – May
and possibly something around Easter too.

We should try to align any fundraising plans for LV around these dates so as to spread any appeal for donations evenly throughout the year and not overburden parents.

Fundraising will be needed for many projects in the coming year including such things as possibly replacing whiteboards in each classroom at a cost of £2000 each.

Seonaid Ross suggested the idea of fundraising at Tesco with 'Bags of Help' funding initiative. You can be gifted £1k, £2k or £4k if selected to take part. SR to follow up.

Last year there was disappointment that some classes didn't support the Cauliflower Xmas Cards as well as had been expected previously. This year it was likely that this would be the case across the school and therefore the cards were not going to be undertaken. It has been an annual event in school for many years so maybe a break from the routine was perhaps needed. It was hoped that the bingo event and others would bring in further funding and continue to be a good community event but the Xmas cards bring in on average about £500 every year.

Jennifer Garnes indicated that she could perhaps help with sourcing funding from Scotmid.

Leavers Jumpers – It was suggested by Jennifer Garnes that instead of a leavers diary, a leavers jumper may be more desirable for the P7's. If given early enough in the school year they could wear it to events throughout the year. - there are 63no. P7's currently. The idea will be put to the pupil council. JG to post details on the LV messenger page relating to her schools hoodies.

Varnish - Mrs Mackintosh requested that she be able to purchase varnish for the buddy benches. It was agreed that this would be ok.

All of the above (except varnish) to be added to the agenda for the next meeting of Lochside Voice.

Date and Time of Next AGM

The next AGM date will be decided at a later meeting.

Our next committee meeting will be held on Monday 6th November at 6.00pm.

Further dates for meetings will be decided thereafter.

Agenda items for the next meeting will be:

Leavers Hoodies

Homework

Uniforms – is there scope to feed back to Tesco any comment on quality etc.
How much money has the school made from them and is ordering online good

Nichola Wilkie thanked all for coming and closed the meeting.

