

COATBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL MINUTES**22/01/2014****7pm****Coatbridge High School**Attendees:

Karen Gilchrist, Margaret McEwan, Janie O'Neill, Janice Watt, Liz Reid, Douglas Hamilton, Audrey Leckie

Apologies:

Gary Martin, Karen Muircroft, Julie McAnulty, Cllr Paul Welsh, Clare Tannahill, Martin Higgins, Allison Hood

Welcome and IntroductionsDiscussion

MM opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees.

Actions**Owner****Deadline****Minutes from last meeting**Discussion

Minutes proposed by MMcE and seconded by DH.

Actions**Owner****Deadline****Bingo Night**Discussion

- Proposed that Bingo night is moved to May (lighter nights and hopefully better weather)
 - P7 nights in May so can include invite to them at this time
 - Date considered 21st May *
 - Maximum of 150 tickets to be sold
 - Suggested that there is a computer app for bingo calling
 - Need to contact companies / individuals for prizes / donations for raffle
 - Draw up list at next meeting of prizes required
- Since meeting been advised that 21st May is not possible.

Actions**Owner****Deadline**

Check bingo app
List of CHS contacts who could be approached for prizes / donations

MMcE
DH

33 period week

JO'N discussion / information provided –

- Keep lunchtime consistent across the week
- Teaching time will be 50 minutes / period
- Formalise where certain subjects will be offered
- Consulted with staff and primary schools, including neighbour St Patricks (i.e. time all CHS pupils leave at the end of the day)
- Possibly more after school clubs to be offered
- Advanced Highers may be offered at other cluster schools, local in first instance but wider if necessary
- Minimal feedback from parents and mainly positive comments received
- Letter will be sent centrally to confirm model being adopted.

Action**Owner****Deadline****AOB**Discussion

- CHS has been asked to host 20+ international visitors (teachers and professors from across Europe)
 - Reputation for support to new teacher education / probationer
 - Links with Coatbridge College
 - Tour of school and meeting various people
- Education Scotland visit re CfE 14th February
- School Show – Little Shop of Horrors
 - Quite a lot of pupils have already signed up to take part
- Burns Supper 23rd January (at night 7 – 9pm) – tickets £1
 - S1/2 and S5/6 pupils involved
- P7 info evening
 - Around 200 parents attended
 - Parents were very interested and gave positive feedback
- S5/6 prelims starting
 - JO’N interviewing pupils re support they are receiving
 - Pupils very motivated
- S4 prelims taking place
 - Results to be analysed re further support
 - 2nd prelims ongoing
- Progression Pathways
 - Drop-in re option choices for going forward
- Canteen
 - Removed shelving and moved tables creating more space
 - Queuing system in place – reduction in tension and pushing
- 4th Year parent night – 28th January
- 20th February – wider achievement awards ceremony (afternoon)
- AGM – 14th May

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