

Gowriehill Primary School
AGM 28th April 2014

1. Welcome –

Present: Heather Rennie, Caragh Campbell, Simon Campbell, Gillian McCabe, Mohammed El Haram, Barbara Smith, Heather McIntosh, Elise Roworth, Lorna Brady
Apologies received from Emma Tomlinson.

2. Treasurer Report – All balances are in order. Balance is currently at £268.18 which the float and the funds in the bank combined.

3. Chairpersons Report – We had quite a busy year – summary below;

-We were involved in lots of fundraising and open days. Various donations made from the PC to the school for – Anniversary t-shirts, playground upgrade and new school diaries for next term.
-New links made this term – Craig McKinstry who is Menzieshill's Salvation Army Territorial Envoy and is helping out in the school on a Fri and a workshop was held with the schools educational. Raig also led our Christmas Carol evening and this was a very successful social event. A workshop was held between the school and the schools educational psychologist Linda Auchterlonie about Parents in Partnership. A survey was carried out by those who attended and there is a possibility of holding another similar event in conjunction with the parent council
-A joint meeting was held in February with PC reps from Gowriehill and Hillside and the architects regarding the new school. The project board meetings are continuing to be held as the merger progresses.
-50th celebrations have been enjoyed by everyone so far – the next event in the calendar is the open day in May.
-Heather thanks everyone for their help and support – of herself and the council in having a successful year.

4. Thanks to retiring members – Heather McIntosh leaves us in June 2014 and we are going to miss her when she goes – a huge thanks to Heather for all her hard work over the years she has been involved with the PC and we wish her well

5. Election of new officers – new offices that are open are

Chairperson – Heather Rennie is happy to continue in this post proposed Gillian McCabe seconded Lorna Brady

Secretary – Caragh Campbell has agreed to take on this role. Proposed Heather Rennie seconded Mohammed El Haram

Treasurer – Mohammed El Haram proposed Heather Rennie seconded Gillian McCabe
Lorna Brady is to be the teacher representative
Simon Campbell, Morag Turner and Elise Roworth to be members of Parent Council

6. Update on Extended Review – There is no news on this at the moment – the review board were very tight-lipped. The feedback from the parents and pupils and staff who attended the forums has been very positive. Feedback is expected from the review board on the 6th May 2014.

7. Update on school merger – Main point that was brought to the table was that the date has slipped back by a year – now looking at August 2017 before the new school is open to pupils. This is

the result of the provision of nursery places for 2 yr olds (and they need to be kept separate from the 3yr olds) and the free school meals for all pupils in P1 through to P3 which means the dinner hall sizing needs to be looked at.

-Discussed the shop area and the restrictions there (all in private leases and would need to pay for any work themselves) and the NHS centre and the services that would be offered there.

8. Open day 10th May – Ideas were discussed and the following suggested (owners of the action points are below)

-Leaflets are already in numerous visible places around Menziesshill. Some more to be printed off and put out.

-Smaller handouts to be made and given to each pupil as a reminder (Heather to create and Gillian to print)

-Mrs Brady will work with pupils to make juice for refreshments on the day

-Gowriehill keyrings to be made for the day –

-PC to offer tea, coffee etc on the day (Gillian to organise)

-BBQ – Mrs McCombie to speak to the Riverside Inn about getting their BBQ as no restrictions on who can use and don't need to give numbers

-Barbara to organise pupils to give a tour of the school on the day

-Heather Rennie to look at getting an advert in the Telegraph, Courier and on Radio Tay and Wave 102

-Set up a 'picture spot' where people can get their pic taken with something of the schools (house badges for example) – Simon will be taking the pictures on the day

-Golden Gazette is being created – will probably only have 1 copy so will take orders on the day for those who want one

-A guest book to be set up so people can write their memories in it – Heather Rennie to organise

-Look at getting some school ties for people to buy (Caragh to speak to school wear shop)

-Lucky Dip for the kids (Morag to arrange this)

-Invite ice-cream van to the school for the 2 hrs for refreshments (Simon to speak to Frankie – this has been done and Frankie has agreed to come along for the 3 hrs)

AOB – nothing raised. Barbara and Heather to finalise any other Open Day arrangements via email. Next meeting to be arranged