



Linlithgow Academy Parent Council Meeting

7:00pm, Monday, 30th September 2019, Linlithgow Academy Conference Room

Attendees:

Parent Members:	Laurie Boles, May Geddes, Dorte Al-Gailani, Campbell Ford, Pinelopi Louvrou, Alison Sharp, Helen White,
Head Teacher:	Karen Jarvis
Teachers:	Rhona White
Pupils:	Alice Ferguson, Jessica McKee
Parent Forum:	Douglas Guest, Dermot Murray, Katherine Beard, Karine McNair, Jeremy Fuller, Iain Woodhouse, Richard Payne, Jude Philip, Ann Marie Penman
Apologies:	Douglas Maxwell

1. Welcome, Introductions and Thanks

Karen Jarvis welcomed everyone to the meeting, in particular, all parents attending for the first time having expressed an interest at the AGM.

2. Approval of the Minutes from meeting of 22nd May 2019 and any matters arising

Minutes of 22nd May 2019 were approved and will be posted on the website.

3. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

A decision to defer the appointment of office bearers until next meeting of Parent Council, due to lack of interest. Laurie Boles co-ordinated the remainder of the meeting.

4. Head Teacher's Report

Topics covered:

- Attainment 2019 – Detailed presentation given showing the exam results for 18/19 academic year compared to averages for West Lothian and Virtual School. Good progress continues to be made
- Priorities for 2019/20
- Website updates – Mr McDonald to receive training
- New App
- Building works
 - Science Labs
 - Astroturf
- School Roll 2019 and beyond – currently 1318 whilst full capacity is 1320
- Staffing – Mrs West to retire at the end of October.

5. Fundraising Opportunities

A number of options have been presented to WLC and feedback is awaited.

6. Pupil Council Report

Pupil Council are planning to undertake re-elections for new members. In addition, a few council members attended a Leadership Day at Royal High School in Edinburgh

7. Teachers Report

Topics covered:

- Show My Homework
- Timing of Resources
- Feedback from Science Lab report

8. Communication Subgroup

To be disbanded as deemed no longer relevant.

9. Business for the year ahead

It was agreed that promoting Employability, Well Being and the Aims and Values during S1 Transition as areas to focus on during the year. Further discussion to take place on the creation of sub groups.

10. Any Other Business

Full support for the proposed relocation of Cedarbank School was given.

11. Dates of next meetings

- 2019/20 School Year – remaining meetings
 - Tues 26 Nov 2019
 - Wed 29 Jan 2020
 - Thurs 19 March 2020
 - Wed 20 May 2020