

Minute/Note of Meeting	TITLE	Sgoil Lionacleit Parent Council		
	DATE	03/02/2022	TIME	6.30pm
	VENUE	online		

Present: parents/carers	Ann MacDonald, Johanne Ferguson, Morag Henderson, Mairi MacRitchie, Margaret Coull, Susan Thomson, Katie MacLeod, Joanna Peteranna, Helen Bagley, Sheila Park MacDonald, Kenneth MacDonald and Robert
others	Gordon Young (HT), Cllr Iain Macleod and Cllr Iain MacNeil
Apologies:	Heather MacDonald, Uilleam MacDonald, Cllr Roddy Mackay and Cllr Paul Steele

	Agenda Item	Summary	Action	Who?	When?
1.	Approval of minutes	Proposed JP. Seconded JF.			
2.	Matters Arising	Remove Mairi MacRitchie from previous meeting attendees list. School meals quality and discussion re Food For Life deferred until next meeting. Makaton – revisit when professionals come into schools. UHI – met with tutor and agreed more feedback, more often. Health and wellbeing census – sexual health questions removed from the census.	SLPC Mairi Boyle of CNES Catering to be invited.	ST GY	
3.	Head teachers update	Full Head Teacher Update here			
4.	Covid contingency planning	One Way system has been revised. Message now is keep left in corridors. Safer Schools app launched as part of Safer Internet Day 8 th Feb. The app gives information and advice to young people and parents on staying safe online. Mental health Provision: KOOTH launched to provide interactive			

		<p>mental health and wellbeing support and access to trained counsellors online. CNES have agree to counsellors in school. Due to commence in a few weeks the counsellor will be available for one day every fortnight. Online access will continue ongoing.</p> <p>Action for Children will also provide a counsellor 3 days each week running courses that have been successful in the past including 'the blues programme' and 'the decider skills'.</p>			
5.	Staffing	<p>Technical vacancy – ongoing. May have a suitable applicant.</p> <p>Business Studies – subject specialist continues to cover. Ongoing</p> <p>Biology – 4 applicants for the vacant post – recruitment process ongoing. N5 and Higher classes will be priority and taught by permanent member of staff. Supply teacher will cover other classes.</p> <p>Mr. Gillies will return to his post as DHT and have positive impact on music.</p>			
6.	Choice Forms	<p>Discussions ongoing with CNES regarding alignment of the timetable to that of the Nicholson. SL currently 6,6,6. Proposal is 7,5,5. HT believes overall that this would be a positive change for SL. No decision as yet. Could resolve the issue around pupils being unable to take 3 sciences and Gaelic.</p> <p>Possibility of tie in with other schools to provide more choice of subjects in GME.</p>			
7.	Prelims	<p>Prelim diet completed on time and inline with guidance.</p> <p>Exams looking to be more likely this session.</p> <p>Prelim results were broadly in line with expectations. Maths and Science results are depressed compared to a “normal year” Possibly due to remote learning. These subjects are most difficult to deliver remotely. Plans are in place to address any issues prior</p>			

		to exams. Anecdotal evidence that this result has been experienced throughout the country.			
8.	SQA and assessments	Exams with targeted support are expected. Teachers and pupils will be provided with revision materials that will link directly to what will be assessed in the exams. Materials expected week commencing 7/3/2022			
9.	Extra-curricular clubs/study support	<p>Additional information on study clubs will be available in the coming days.</p> <p>Parents and young people referred to study guides published by SL for advice. Ownership of revision by young people is important. Prelims should help to focus the mind.</p> <p>3 hours per subject per week recommended.</p> <p>Study support is available in school. Study clubs valued and appreciated by parents.</p> <p>Feedback form provided by maths teacher was considered very helpful by parents. Request made for consistent approach by all teachers. HT pointed out that format of feedback is dependent on individual subject teacher.</p> <p>Past papers are beneficial tool for practice. Young people should know how to access them from Past Papers section on SQA website. NB. They are only useful in class once the whole course has been taught.</p> <p>Request made to CNES to increase opening hours of the library to facilitate private study in lead up to exams.</p> <p>2022 Exam Diet published on SAQ website</p>	Councillors present to revert with response from CNES.	Cllrs Iain Macleod & Iain MacNeil	
10.	Treasurers Report	<p>Thanks to Cllr Macleod for donation to SLCP of £1000 from Ward Funds.</p> <p>Balance including donation £7318. Funds continue to be</p>			

		ringfenced for water fountains. No further update from previous month.			
11.	AOB	<p>Repair of broken laptop screens highlighted as major expense. S1-S3 pupils most likely to present with broken screens. SLPC offered funds for purchase of cases to minimize breakages going forward. Young people taking more care would make cases unnecessary.</p> <p>Summer Ball proposed for young people after exams. Possibly towards end of term.</p> <p>Reports of plans to demolish and rebuild SL in media. Councillors present confirmed that Education Committee had discussed school rebuild but that discussions were at an early stage. Flood risks were part of the discussion. A major school upgrade was being discussed by the committee as a priority. Councillors stress that progress on the subject would be slow.</p>	Working group to meet to take forward. AM, JP,ST and MC	AM	
12.	DONM	Thursday 21 st April @ 6.30pm.	Invitation to follow	ST	