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**Sgoil Lionacleit
Minute of Meeting**

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| TITLE: | Sgoil Lionacleit Parent Council |
| DATE: | 1st February 2024 |
| VENUE: | Sgoil Lionacleit |
| TIME: | 6.30pm |
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| Present: | Gordon Young, Robert Gillies, Ann MacDonald, Helen Bagley, David Bagley, Joanna Peteranna, Johanne Ferguson, Katie Mary MacPherson, Corinna Krause, Mary Claire Ferguson, Barry Coull, Kenneth MacDonald, Morag Henderson, Cllr Susan Thompson, Cllr Iain MacLeod, Thomas Fisher |
| Apologies: | Heather Young, Gail Robertson, Ann Graham, Cllr Paul Steele |
| Absent: | |

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| 1 | Welcome & Matters Arising | Minutes Approved | | | |
| 2 | Head Teachers Report | | | | |
| | Christmas Dance - | The Christmas dance was a huge success, pupils and staff had a great time and the behaviour was excellent. | | | |
| | School Photos - | Were taken and issued, young people and parents/guardians have reported that they were | | | |

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| | Place standard tool- | <p>happy to get the opportunity after being without it for so long.</p> <p>Our pupil council and Comhairle na Gaidhlig are being trained by NHS staff this Tuesday (6/2/24) on something called the 'the place standard tool'. This is a toolkit that allows young people to gather information and feedback on strengths and areas of development of both smaller spaces e.g. School and larger spaces e.g. our islands. Really positive step in giving young people tools to share their voice.</p> | | | |
| | Prelims – | All finished after disruptions due to snow. They are in the process of bringing together all the data to look at where things have gone well and where extra support is needed. | | | |
| | Work Experience – | Our DYW worker Sharon MacRury and Skills Development Scotland link Suzanne Morrison have been in to speak to all S4/5/6 pupils about destinations and routes, to ensure that we are working with partners to give appropriate support. | | | |
| | The Big Conversation – | <p>Parental feedback.</p> <p>3 top responses are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Staff treat my child fairly and with respect. 2. I feel that my child is safe at school. 3. My child finds their learning activities hard enough. <p>3 areas for development are:</p> | | | |
| | | | Action Plan is: | GY | |

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| | | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The school organises activities where my child and I can learn together. 2. The school takes my views into account when making changes. 3. I receive helpful, regular feedback about how my child is learning and developing. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We are in the process of creating more 'family learning' opportunities, the Maths department are in the process of consulting on best days/times for a curriculum café. With drop-in support and help for both young people and parents/guardians. 2. Large scale revamp of the better behaviour policy. Creating a new 'relationships policy', parents, staff and young people are being consulted on this and a working group is creating a draft policy to reflect the views of everyone involved. 3. Another working group is creating a 'communication' policy to streamline and improve the communication between school and home as well as in the school. 4. We hope that the consultations and actions allow parents/guardians to feel more connected to the work that we do. | | |
| | Staffing – | <p>We are looking to the future of technical, with two technical teachers doing a job share and with a long-term vacancy, we are doing something more creative. This also reflects the fact that it is almost impossible to recruit.</p> <p>We have just closed and advert for a classroom tec assistant looking for someone with a degree</p> | | | |

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| | | and relevant skill set to be in post until the post-grad programme opens next year. They will then enter a sponsored place, followed by probation year and permanent contract at Sgoil Lionacleit if they met the criteria for qualifications. | | GY | |
| | | Crofting – It is looking hopeful that crofting will be back on the timetable this year as some teachers is willing to take it on. It is one of our subjects that is very popular as it is very useful and successful to the young people on the Island. | | | |
| | Sharing Success – | I am very pleased to note that our Film G entry this year has been shortlisted. The young people and staff involved are extremely proud of the work they have done. Marsaili MacAulay, Lewis Rafique, Clover MacRury. The event take place on the 23 rd of February. | | | |
| | Mobile Phones – | Policy has been implemented and we have ironed out most of the issues in terms of how we keep track/record issues. At the minute there is 2 young people on bans, and we ask that parents/guardians continue to support us in what is going to be one of the policies that has the biggest impact on learning and teaching. | | | |
| | Vaping – | Mairi Matheson (health improvement practitioner) Will be in to talk about vaping after the February break. (16/02/24-21/02/24). | | MM | |
| | CCTV – | Re- submitted request for building works on 12/12/23, still no reply. Chief Officer was in Sgoil | The Parent Council will write a letter expressing our concern about the CCTV. | PC | |

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| | Food Quality – | <p>Lionacleit on Monday (29/01/23) and he was shown the CCTV system, and we expressed our concern. We have asked for this to be a priority but as there is no funding available it is highly unlikely.</p> <p>Pupil Council agreed to survey young people they have created a draft and are meeting on Monday (05/02/24) P6 to review and agree.</p> <p>Diane Campbell- catering manager was asked to the meeting but due to the weather was unable to attend.</p> <p>Helen spoke to Lisa Johnson (Environmental Health) about Allergens, Lisa said that the kitchen staff are following the rules laid out by the council concerning Allergens.</p> | <p>Diane Campbell – catering manager will be invited to next meeting by Mary Claire Ferguson.</p> | MCF | |
| | Study Support Classes – | Booklet is being drawn up with updated times and then will be ready to go. | | | |
| | SLPB – | <p>Request for donation for their trip to Kilmarnock in March. Elliot came in as a representative of the Pipe Band and told us his story about why he joined the Pipe Band and could we please give a donation toward their trip.</p> <p>Chloe Manchester Hogg will drop off an application form for funding.</p> | | | |
| | Treasure's Report– | <p>There is £4947.48 in the bank minus £250 donation to the school.</p> <p>Unsure if we are getting money from the council. Mary Claire will find out for us.</p> | | | |
| | | | Wait for the funding application form then decide. | PC | |
| | | | Find out details and apply to Tesco for funding. | MCF | |

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| | AOB - | <p>A parent enquired about the planned S3 trip as she could not understand the letter that was sent out with how it was worded.</p> <p>Gordon was asked how much impact there was on school attendance due to disruptions. Gordon unable to give an answer with the system being down and unable to access.</p> <p>A parent enquired about how long it take to repair faulty equipment as they have been waiting a while. Gordon replied that is in the hands of ICT, they are waiting for parts.</p> | <p>Gordon will ask that it be looked at and rewrote so parents/guardians can understand it.</p> <p>A parent will enquire to Hewlett-Packard and Voove, to see if they have any used laptops, they would be willing to donate to school. Ask ICT to come to a meeting.</p> | <p>GY</p> <p>GY/MCF</p> | |
| | Education Reform - | Please find attached in word document | | | |
| 4 | Date and time of Next Meeting | 24 TH April 2024 6.30PM | | | |

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