



Ullapool High School Parent Council
Comhairle Nam Pàrant Ardsgoil Ulapul
Minutes

Monday 29th May 6:30pm, Ullapool High School

1. **Present and apologies: Parent Council members:** Anthony O'Flaherty (Chair), Dave Maxwell (Secretary), Ian Williams (Teacher Rep),
In attendance: Robbie McFedries (Head Teacher), Anne Hunter (Depute),
2. **Apologies:** Joany McGuire, Sot Otter, Sam Richards, Sue Pomeroy, Nellie Collins, Andrew Lintern, Fiona Saywell, Anne Wood, Janis Patterson, Christine Crook (Vice-Chair), Helen Meek (Treasurer), Julie Allen, Stephanie Sutherland, Caroline Thompson (Pupil Rep, S5), Carla Lees (Pupil Rep, S4)
3. **Announcements or late additions to the agenda.** See AOB
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting (3rd Apr)** Proposed: AH seconded: DM
4. **Head Teacher's report**
 - **Staffing:** Kim Richards has been appointed as the 0.4 RME Teacher (1 year contract); applications close today for the PT for English; interviews are on Thu for the perm PE post (shared with feeder Primary schools). The shared Early Literacy and Engagement resource will be advertised after the summer.
 - **Vision and Values:** The new school logo will be decided in June
 - **Repairs:** RM is meeting Jane Day, HC Estate Manager this week to discuss long standing repairs to the roof, replacing lino, removing lockers etc.
 - **School Improvement Plan:** Parents are reminded that any feedback given to the school (either positive or negative) will be acted upon. Please contact the PC or the school office. RM described the Teacher Learning Community (TLC) which is used to promote best practice across schools.
 - **Parents Nights:** RM and AH are looking at the best way to run these next year. A booking "app" is being looked at as well as ideas for highlighting concerns via the Tracking and Monitoring Report.
 - **Pupil Activities: Apr:** DofE expeditions; Easter Study Classes. **May** SQA Exams; Stella the "therapet" visit; DofE expeditions; Million Meter Challenge; Littoral Art Project; S3 work experience; S1 Tanara trip; S2 Lagganlia trip. The PC thanked the staff on behalf of parents for all their hard work over the term and for the many voluntary hours put in by staff.
5. **Treasurer's Report** (HM by email) - The Bank balance on 30th Mar was £815.09 including the first Easyfundraising payment of £20.28. **Action:** parents to register esp. if they book holidays, car hire etc. on line.
6. **Matters arising from previous meeting**
 - **Astro turf** – Work should start next week and complete in Jul. **Action:** RM to confirm start date
 - **Email:** UHS can't use the Primary School mechanism, but Laura is happy to send out emails
Action: staff to pass event info to Laura
 - **Sound recording studio** A UHI tutor from Fort William will teach the course to Seniors on Fri mornings. **Action:** RM to look at the layout of the music and practice rooms. **Action** AW, NC FS to look at other options for the Award for All application.
 - **On-line Learning** – numbers are low, so ad hoc teacher support will be provided
 - **Psychology Course:** This will be run as a video conference next year using Chrome Books. A staff member will oversee.
7. **AOB**
 - **Gaelic Parents Group** – RM and David Crook are keen to get involved and have contacted JP
 - **PC** - SR will be stepping down and the PC wishes to thank her for her input over the last year.
8. **Date of next meeting:** Tue 12th Sep @ 6:30 pm