



NEWINGTON SCHOOL FORUM

MINUTES OF MEETING

Name of Meeting: FORUM AND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday 1st February 2023

Time: 6pm

Members Present:

E. Ferguson, K. Nelson, S. McGrady, R. Stevenson, P. McCluskie, L. Conroy, C. Helyar, G. Nelson, A. Hoffmann, J. Archibald, C. Johnstone, F. Glass, Mrs Ferguson D.H.T, Mr Torbett H.T, R. Nicholson.

Welcome

Craig welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies were received from L.Povall, A. Stevenson, E. Duignan, and M. Woodhouse.

Fundraising Committee Report

Fiona reported on the success of all the fundraising activities on the run up to Christmas and thanked the committee for all their help with these. £2187.60 had been raised from all the activities.

A Christmas clothing, second hand sale would be a fundraiser hopefully next year. A message would go out on the App to appeal for clothing now for this.

Scholastic Book Sale

Fiona appealed for helpers to help with the book fare on the parent consultation evening on 16th March 2023 from 3.30pm-8.30pm. A rota would be made up nearer to the date.

Burns Supper

A large number of members had attended the Burns Supper held in school on 25th January 2023, it was an excellent evening.

Future Fundraising Activities

A non uniform day would be held on Tuesday 21st February 2023.

An Easter Hamper raffle would be held on the Parental consultation evening – Members would sell raffle tickets. Pam will make the hampers.

Becky offered to once again hold a Spring/Easter Photoshoot.

Treasurers Report

June reported that the current bank balance is £3487.33.

A payment for £85.88 had been received from Easy Fundraising. £2000 would be donated to the school for curricular travel.

Mr Torbett's Report

Mr Torbett informed the meeting that he had submitted his letter of retiral. The Head Teachers job will be advertised on 27th February 2023. It is hoped interviews will be held on 31st March

2023. Roger Hill, Schools Manager will update the Forum Committee re the interview procedure for

those wishing to be considered to be part of the interview process. An email will go out soon to inform parents of Mr Torbett's retiral.

Mr Torbett thanked the committee for all their work with Christmas fundraising activities and also their attendance at the Burns Supper.

School Success

The school competed in the Sportshall athletics final on Friday 27th January 2023 at Annan Academy against Sanquhar and were winners. The super 4's had its first race of 4 on 31st January 2023. 30 pupils had completed from Newington.

Class Trips

Class trips have been organised to Moat Brae, Hollyrood Palace and the Devils Porridge.

AOCB

Mr Kennedy has had his operation. Mr Osborne continues to cover in his absence.

Mrs Ferguson informed the meeting that the sensory garden will be dug out in the near future. A parent with a small digger has offered to help with this.

Tesco will be approached to enquire if we can be considered for the funding from them again.

This was all the business. The meeting closed at 6.55pm.