



Kinross High School Parent Council
Kinross High School
Loch Leven Community Campus
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Kinross High School Parent Council Meeting
Tuesday 07 March 2023
Agenda

Location: Kinross High School Campus
Date: Tuesday 7 March 2023
Time: 7.15pm
Chair: George Cobb

| Item | Subject | Time | Duration | Lead |
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| 1 | Welcome, introductions and apologies | 7.15pm | 5 | George Cobb |
| 2 | Review of previous minutes and actions arising, discussion of PC dashboard | 7.20pm | 10 | George Cobb |
| 3 | Kinross High School Parent Council - Connect Guidance | 7.30pm | 10 | Nicola Hearden |
| 4 | Kinross High School Parent Council - break out group discussion: 1) Meeting Format 2) Meeting Content / Topics 3) Fundraising 4) Other Areas School representatives will be welcome to join any of the groups | 7.40pm | 40 | 4 Groups - facilitate by office bearers |
| 5 | Feedback and next steps / actions -2 minutes to feedback -10 minutes agree actions. | 8.20pm | 20 | Office bearers |
| 6 | Next months meeting | 8:40pm | 5 | George Cobb |
| 7 | Questions from Parents: See details below: | 8.45pm | 15 | Graham Cox |
| | Close | 9.00pm | | |

Agenda Item 6: Meeting schedule

| Date of Meeting | Draft agenda Items | Owner |
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| Tuesday 25 April 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focus Groups wider feedback* | |
| Tuesday 6 June 2023 (AGM) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Election of Office Bearers• Planning for 2023/24 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• PC Office Bearers |

*The next session will focus on concluding the various focus groups that have been carried out to identify the key next steps. To date the following focus groups were planned:

School Focus Group – Curriculum Date to be confirmed (Mr Baxby) (was open to Parent Body)
Perth and Kinross Council VSE – Inclusive Practices 2nd December (PC office bearers only)
School Focus Group – Attendance 14th December 4pm to 5pm (open to Parent Body)
Anti Bullying Strategy - 8th March 2023
4th School house - Wider parent body discussion (To be arranged)

Agenda Items 7 Questions from Parents:

(Last months answers and presentations published on KHS Website under Parent Council:
<https://www.kinrosshighschool.org.uk/parents/parent-council/>)

Inadequately prepared for tests:

1) As a result of the recent strikes or a period of extended cover teachers (Maths classes have had a substitute teacher for 3 weeks) are KHS comfortable that any tests taken and results produced recently will accurately reflect the progress of our young people and possible future attainment potential ?

School Tracking Reports:

It has been previously noted by KHS that it is school policy not to issue a working grade higher than a 2, even where a pupil is and has continuously worked at a high grade 1 level.

- 2) Can it be explained where this policy is recorded on the school website to make parents and pupils aware of it?
- 3) Can the above information be included within the letter that goes out to parents with the tracking reports, which clearly explains working grade levels in more detail?
- 4) Can SLT please explain whether this limits differentiation of pupils where working grades are relevant to being offered subject course places?

School Improvement Plan:

Recent correspondence regarding ongoing actions within the school improvement plan suggested an action 'in progress' of achieving 93% attendance rates. The rate showed 84.15%, down from 88.6% previously.

- 5) How can poorer attendance be deemed an action in progress? Is it not the case that the original action was set for December and the school has failed to achieve this?
- 6) If it is the position of SLT as explained in the accompanying information that responsibility for poor attendance lies with parents, why was this a school action for improvement if no school action can effect change? Can this please be explained further.
- 7) Where wellbeing, mental health and moral were deemed reasons for staff absence, can the same not be held true for pupils?

8) What data is held by SLT on barriers to learning being attributable to the absence rates? Examples of these barriers would include lack of additional support, placement on unsuitable courses, wellbeing issues etc.

Kinross High School Parent Council Office Bearers

Chair: George Cobb

Vice-chairs: Graham Cox, Nicola Hearnden

Treasurer: Lorraine Holdsworth

Clerk: **Paid Vacancy**

| No | Actions on Parent council | Actionee | Timescale |
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| 1 | Parent Council to look at ways of promoting positive attributes of school (Awards / Achievements) | PC Office Bearers | Carry forward to March meeting |
| 2 | Parent council and wider parent body to look at ways to support the school / teachers to be more resilient. | Wider parent Body | Carry forward to March meeting |
| 3 | Minutes from previous meeting to be drafted | | |

| No | Actions on KHS SLT | Actionee | Timescale |
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| 1 | SLT to provide an overview of how the pupils views are captured and incorporated in the School improvement plan | Deputy Head | [tbc] |
| 2 | SLT to provide the PC officer bearers with more detailed information about the types of questions asked from How good is your school for KHS. | Deputy Head | [tbc] |
| 3 | SLT to identify a key contact for the LGBT community to ensure that any further instances are reported and actioned. | Head Teacher | [tbc] |
| 4 | School captains were going to be invited to discuss winter dance – but already prepared. Invite ahead of leavers do in Summer 2023 | Head Teacher | March 2023 |
| 5 | Head teacher to share slides from Head Teachers report sessions | Head Teacher | [tbc] |