NEWBIGGING PARENT COUNCIL

MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 21ST FEBRUARY, 2013 AT 6.150PM

<u>Present</u>: Kathryn Foot, Paul Donaldson, Janet Crozier, Jody Gray, Lorna Rogers, Ashley

Thomson, Linda Rogers, Anne Bruce

Apologies: Diane Melvin, Cate Ritchie,

MINUTES ACTION

The Minutes of the AGM were approved.

MATTERS ARISING

Website - The school website is nearly ready to go live. Parents will be emailed the link once it is live.

Handbook – The handbook can now be accessed by parents online by following the link: Newbigging Primary School Handbook

Facebook – Kathryn has someone trialling a Facebook page to see how secure it is. If it is secure then a Facebook page will be set up for the school

Clubs – It is hoped that the **golf club** will start after Easter. All equipment will be provided. There will be no charge – children need to wear trainers.

No one has gone along to the **maths club** at Monikie yet. If children do want to attend then parent helpers will be needed.

The **netball club** is going really well. The Parent Council will mark out a court for the janitor to paint. Cost of paint will be approximately £100. The coach, Alix, is organising for the University of Dundee netball team captain to come along, and it is hoped to take the children in the club to see a university game.

Parent Council

The **drama club** is also doing well. Kathryn to put a note in the next newsletter asking for old hats, coats, clothes etc for props.

Jody is still waiting for her PVG disclosure to come through. Once it does she will start helping out in the **library**.

Parks Consultation – Kathryn looked into the consultation which was held into the closure of parks. Newbigging park was not under threat.

Joint events with Monikie School – Kathryn has contacted Graham Stout, Chair of Monikie Primary Parent Council. Kathryn will liaise with Graham about the possibility of a Friday night beetle drive.

Kathryn

Path – a bridge needs to be rebuilt on the old path between Newbigging and Monikie. Angus Council to send out a surveyor and will try to get funding through Core Paths funding. Commonwealth Games Legacy funding may be available, as well as Lottery funding.

Questionnaire Feedback – the feedback has been finalised and will be sent out to parents shortly. It will be put on the school website once it is live.

Music Forum – the forum has been disbanded due to lack of people.

CONSTITUTION

Minor changes were made to the Constitution.

REMINDERS

Paul and Jody will attend the Parent Council Coastal Representatives meeting on Wednesday 27th February.

Paul/Jody

Kathryn, Paul and Janet are to attend the training session on Monday 4th March. Kathryn to advise Angus Council of attendance. Kathryn, Paul, Janet

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cookbook – Jody showed the PC a cookbook which was produced by another school as an example. It was decided that children will start working on a cookbook after the Easter holidays. Linda to speak to teachers about including it in homework. Timescale: recipes in by summer; book put together during autumn term; sell books after October holidays.

Linda

We will possibly produce school tea towels again as it proved to be a good fundraiser last time.

Linda will get information about personalised Christmas cards. These raise a lot of funds at Monikie School.

Linda

It was decided to hold another Fete during the summer term, in aid of school funds. A provisional date of 1st June was put forward.

Anne gave the Parent Council information about a summer trip for P1/7 pupils to Satrosphere in Aberdeen, which is eligible for a grant covering the cost of transport. The cost per child is £3.50, of which the Parent Council would pay £2, with parents paying the remaining £1.50/child. The pre-school class would also be given £2 per child towards the cost of going to Jumping Joeys in Arbroath.

Linda told the meeting about team building sessions for next year's P5/6 pupils at Monikie Park. The course runs for 6 weeks, with sessions lasting 2 hours, and would involve the children joining Monikie P5/6 pupils for activities including raft building, and high ropes. Health and wellbeing within the curriculum will be covered by the activities. Instructors would transport the pupils to Monikie park. The cost of the course has not yet been finalised, however last year it was around £50 per child. Once a final price has been established, arrangements will be made for the cost to be paid up over a period of time starting next term and continuing into the next session.

The time and date of the next meeting will be 6.15pm on Thursday 18th April, 2013, to which all parents/guardians are invited.

There being no further business, the meeting finished at 7.30pm.