

In Attendance

Maria (Chair), Deirdre (Secretary), Mary, Somantha, Sara, Therese, Colm, Aisling, Maria, Monika, Adele, Zahid, Aaron (Teacher Rep.), Niall (Principal).

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the April meeting were approved.

Matters Arising

Parents Council hoping to be able contact all parents without cost to school.

School have never collected Parents email addresses.

School communicates using text messaging and messages on school website.

Will look at suggestion by PC to possibly use a school contact app.

PC will look at this over the summer.

Wriggle

Wriggle will not be looking after supplying hard copy books this year. Ordering system is changing.

They will look after incoming 1st years books only.

5th year will be ordering from Book Haven or buy books themselves.

School will contact parents as soon as plan in place.

Principals Report

Principals Report available at: <https://www.kishogecc.ie/principals-reports>.

Topics for discussion

Paula gave a report on **Parents Council finances**.

Information sheet for first year parents.

Sara is working on this, will be ready to give to first years for their parents in early September.

Presentation to parents

There will be a presentation organized for parents whose children have graduated from Kishoge and who are finished on the Parents Council.

Hoping to organize an open-air presentation at the school if Covid guidelines allow, possibly week between school finishing and exams starting.

Organising AGM for October 2021.

Somantha suggested a subcommittee of parents meet over the summer to plan for our AGM next October.

Good few new parents on council since last AGM in the school, easier to plan now.

Somantha, Mary, Maria, Sara and Deirdre will meet over the summer to do this.

Presentation of cheque from Winter jumper fundraiser.

Following the Winter jumper fundraiser last December, a cheque for €400 was presented to the Student Council by the Parents Council.

The Student Council have decided to spend €200 on books for the library and €200 on sports equipment for the school, a cheque for €400 was also presented to St Vincent de Paul in December 2020 from the same fundraiser.

Cost of graduation yearbook and hoodie

There was a concern expressed from a parent about cost of the yearbook and hoodie.

This is a student led initiative, but a concern was raised that some parents may not be able to afford a hoodie and yearbook.

Parents Council will look at the possibility of fundraising and possibly paying for the yearbook every year.

Uniform Recycling

Maria will look after uniform recycling

Letting parents know and looking after uniforms dropped to the school.

Suggestion of a donation box in the room where the uniforms are with hope that parents collecting uniforms might leave a donation.

Parents Council Facebook group

Maria will put up a post for parents with students no longer in the school, thanking them and asking them to leave the Facebook group.

Transition Year

Request to Aaron to ask Michael to publish a final TY newsletter mentioning the refund of money not used during the year due to Covid restrictions as some parents have been asking about this.

Date and Time of next meeting

Thursday 16th September at 7pm.