Dingwall Academy Parent Council Minutes of AGM 26 September 2011 at 7.00pm

Present: M. Paterson (Councillor), P.Cairns (Councillor), S.Blyth, K.Cormack (Rector), P.Evennett (Treasurer), H.Thornton, K.MacKenzie, L.Ross, N.Fearne (Chairman), D.Morgan, C.MacKenzie

Apologies: S.Kruse, A.MacLean (Councillor)

Minutes of last AGM held on 14 September 2010 were accepted (apart from the accounts being calculated on 5 July 2010, not in March.)

Matters arising: none

Chairman's Report: N Fearne summarised the involvement of the PC in the appointments of senior staff, especially the interviews for the post of new rector on the retirement of Graham Mackenzie, and the change in depute heads.

He was delighted that the PC intervention on the issue of the games pitch drainage has a satisfactory outcome to date, although it was regrettable that the games pitches could have been used 1-2 years ago had there been better planning initially.

Treasurers Report: The Highland council allocation to the PC for 2011-12 made on 12 August 2011 was £1,602.22.

Other income during the year included proceeds from the sale of rice for Malawi farmers of £58.73. The interest on savings was £1.13.

Expenditure this year was £3403.07, as follows:

The Parent Council made a donation to the school in January of £3,000 for the future purchase of a mini bus.

They also donated £210 for book tokens at Prize Giving.

A gift of wine, costing £17.99 was made to accountant Marc Whythe in lieu of a fee for the audit of PC accounts from 18 Nov 2008 to 30 June 2010.

A gift of wine and wine glasses costing £55.08 was given to retiring rector Graham MacKenzie.

A 6th year student was paid £120 to take the minutes at the meetings.

Accounts were circulated and showed a Closing Balance of £2,430.19. (2,445.19 When bank repays £15 fee)

Bank balances on 22/9/2011:

£1854.06 (cheque account)

£576.13 (savings account)

Election of Committee: N.Fearne stood down as chairperson of DAPC and he was thanked for his contribution by MP, KC & PE on behalf of all those present.

H.Thornton was nominated as Chairperson by K.Mackenzie and seconded by L.Ross.

L.Ross took was nominated as treasurer which was proposed by K.Cormack and seconded by S.Blyth.

P.Evennett was nominated as secretary which was proposed by H.Thornton and seconded by N.Fearne.

Email contact details were provided by all PC members.

This brought the AGM business to a close and the general meeting followed.