**St Andrew’s Academy Parent Council Meeting**

**2 October 2017**

Attending: Jackie Calder, Linda Murray, Susanne McNeil, Pauls Donaghy, Caroline Kerrigan, Patrick McFadden (Depute Head Teacher), Kevin Henry (Head Teacher), Yvonne Quinn, Kathleen Aitchison, Jane Horan, John Kelly (Chair), Alan Williamson (Minutes)

Apologies: Tracey Granger, Christine Carrol

1. **Elect minute taker**

Alan Williamson volunteered to take the minute of the meeting.

1. **Correspondence**

No correspondence

**3 Headteacher's report**

 KH reported that Father Stephen was moving on from parish priest role at St Charles and also as school chaplain. He is to be replaced in both roles by Father Jim Duggan, with Father Matthew Carlin (St Mirin’s) acting as assistant chaplain.

 The school role at census date was 1437, up 35 from 2016. There are ongoing issues with capacity, which are expected to continue owing to new houses and placing requests.

 Teachers Claire Cousins (English) and Laura McCurley (Business) are both moving on to promoted posts. Adverts are being prepared for their replacements.

 New format for S4-6 reports – early warning, tracking 1 and tracking 2, replacing 3 tracking reports.

 Pat McFadden has served his period as SMT rep to the Parent Council. JK thanked Pat for his support of the Parent Council.

**4 School attainment presentation**

 KH presented a positive picture on this year’s exam results. There are a few trends and blips of minor concern that will be investigated.

**5 Vision, Aims and Values**

 KH spoke to current vision, aims and values with a view to having a more focussed session at the next meeting, and particularly seeking input on values.

**6 Fair funding consultation**

JK undertook to prepare a response on this consultation, liaising with KH where necessary. JK would circulate his draft response around the PC for comment before submitting to the Scottish Government by 13 October deadline.

**7 CCTV**

 KH advised of a proposal to put CCTV cameras in place covering social space in order to complement outdoor cameras and tackle low-level misbehaviour. This is in place in other high schools in Renfrewshire. KH to investigate costs and bring matter back to a future meeting.

**8 Annual quiz**

 KH raised possibility of running annual quiz before Christmas break. However, there was not much enthusiasm for this within the meeting. To be revisited in February.

**9 Any other business**

 PC email list – this needs tidied up. JK to check that all recipients of emails want to continue receiving them.

 Positive destinations – KH to review what guidance is offered on UCAS/college applications, CV writing, interview skills, life skills.