



MHS Parent Council 28/08/25

Attendees

In person:

Hannah Sanderson, David Donaldson, Collette Ashworth, Pauline East, Barclay Milne, Martin McMillan, Marc Fleming,, Kieran Brennan,

On-Line:

Lisa Taylor, Andy Mroz, Lisa Brown, Lynn Warrington, Kirsty Crighton, Erica MacKenzie, No apologies

Approval of last minutes

1st:Barclay Milne 2nd: Hannah Sanderson

Approval of last AGM Minutes

1st: Hannah Sanderson 2nd: Pauline East

Treasurer Report

Income: £271 - mostly made up of £265 SC contribution,

Outgoings: £173 PTA, £200 summer fayre donation

£255 balance

We will now have a parent council fund as part of the school accounts. PE will liaise with school resource officer to confirm that money will rollover. Still to be confirmed whether insurance will come out of this account. **PE**

Review whether a treasurer is still required next AGM.

Office Bearers

HS and DD standing down as Chair and Vice.

PE and CA staying in post as Treasurer and Secretary

BM nominated himself as chair

KB nominated himself as vice chair.

PE will remove HS and DD from banking mandate and add BM and KB. **PE**

Headteacher Report

125 S1 pupils, 672 pupils on roll.

Will be a census to decide school budget.

New probationers have arrived: art, HE, PE, history, modern studies, biology, english

Miss Montgomery has a temporary role as Acting DHT at Balfron High School on Monday and Tuesdays. She will be back filled by Miss McFagin. There is also a temporary PE teacher and a temporary modern language teacher, Miss Wylie has resigned, Laura Boyle in reprographics has resigned. Laura's office duties will be realigned, she will not be replaced.



All pupils have had an assembly on values, Friday blog will continue, parents have been advised of the school calendar including main points of contact and it will soon include more about learning and staff discussions.

MF pointed out that there is a high level of need in S1 and SLA support is being finalised. Two thirds of school pupils require additional support. MF will provide a breakdown of support in each of the staged intervention levels at the next meeting.

MF

Results Update: MM

MF and MM will meet with curriculum leads soon to look at improvements following exam results.

MM shared a presentation with results data that will be shared on the school website alongside these minutes. MM

No Insight data to compare our results to other schools is available yet, but those pupils in MHS who sat exams achieved good results.

As more pupils have a high level of need MHS will continue to provide teaching from CYP in english and maths for two afternoons a week

Correspondence

Email forwarding to CA is so far unsuccessful. PTA will be discussing a shared google workspace at their next meeting.

Case Studies

HS has met with Mr Campbell to discuss case studies for pupil support, This will continue. HS

Work Experience

There has been no drop off in work experience since pupils were asked to organise.

81% did work experience in 2024

91% in 2025

Cyber Security

MF talking to PC Barclay about a parent consultation evening. MF

PE has spoken to Kate Mitchell - she does not do parent evenings only pupil sessions.

School Trips

A presentation about school trips will be sent out to parents next week. MF

Senior Pupil Team

A concern was raised by EM that the senior pupil team is very girl heavy for the second year in a row. MF confirmed that those who perform best on the day and have also shown commitment to the school over the last 5 years were those were selected. KB stated that he believes girls work harder than boys so boys were at a disadvantage and that there should be a head boy and girl regardless of their ability. HS replied that MHS is a rights respecting school and that if boys were underperforming girls in school that this was a separate issue and there should not a different set of standards for any one group of pupils and all should be judged equally. It was suggested that the PC be made aware of the criteria for the senior team, but it was decided that this was not necessary as the PC trusts the school to make the best decision and no further action was required.

AOB

Should we attend all parents evening and hand out flyers? No decision made.

HS has asked Mike Lee for the constitution, but has had no response. This task passed to BM. BM

LW asked about a recent school exclusion, but MF cannot comment on individual cases and requested that she contact Paula Heel.

Bus overcrowding also mentioned, again Paula Heel is the contact.



It was confirmed that the Aberfoyle bus is a service bus and members of the public can use it.

DD: inquired about the cost of the Gold DofE expedition when there is money in an account. MF

DD thanked HS for her hard work as chair and MF echoed his remarks.
CA thanked DD.

Next meeting: 29th September 2025 6.00 - 7.30

24th November 2025 6.00 - 7.30

26th January 2026 6.00 - 7.30

30th March 2026 6.00 - 7.30

25th May 2026 6.00 - 7.30