

Minutes
Lockerbie Academy Parent Carer Council (LAPCC)
11.10.23

Present: *chair Stephen Adams; secretary Fiona Reid; treasurers Carlyne Wilson & Nicola Halliwell; headteacher Brian Asher; deputy head Kerry Currie; Tammy Bell; Clare Dalgliesh; Emma Boyes; Lynn Black; Kirsty Cameron; Caitriona Wilde; and pupil reps Catherine Adkins and Anna Newbould.*

Apologies: *Rena Hastings*

1. Chair's report: SA thanked members for voting him in at the AGM and pledged to do his best and encouraged everyone to bring forward ideas. Now the new LAPCC is formally up and running, he is keen to get fundraising and events going again.
KC suggested he puts a welcoming statement on the school website, along with a photo of the new group and names.
2. Christmas Fair: The event takes place in school on the evening of Fri Nov 24 and the LAPCC will have a table. Discussions took place about what to offer/run. LB to investigate the possibility of getting a game.
3. Fundraising: It was agreed to run a prize draw with three cash prizes of £1250/£750/£500. Proceeds will be split 50:50 between the school and the prize pot. The main fundraising projects will be the school minibus and a new breakfast club. Tickets will cost £10 each and online payments will be accepted. LB to contact Solway Print for prices for an initial 100 books of 5 tickets each, 500 tickets in total. CW to check gambling licence. The prize draw will take place on the last night of the school show. LAPCC will take tables at the Xmas Fair and also at Lockerbie Xmas Lights Switch On in November to sell tickets. The draw will be further advertised on social media and FR will organise a story and pic for the Annandale Herald.
4. Windfarm bid: EB reported back on discussions with Jamie Dent of Dumfriesshire East Community Benefit Group (DECBG) who has been advising on a windfarm bid for the minibus. The closing date is at the end of October and EB will prepare a bid with input from BA/KC/FR. LAPCC will need to come up with 10% match funding for the project. BA gave background information about the running costs and usage of the minibus, which is a fleet vehicle: rental costs are £435.13 per month and the operating licence is £100. It costs approx. £10,000 a year to run including fuel, servicing and maintenance. Coaches and other buses are also hired for trips and sports fixtures. It can cost £550 for two. The

school has membership of the ATI too and make use of that service. In addition, about £12,000 a year is spent hiring buses to take children to the Barony and Dumfries College for courses.

5. AOB: FR raised a (confidential) staffing query and was updated by BA; KC gave some information on the Parent App, which is not yet operational. She also reported back on the S1 parents evening, which was held in school and received good feedback. Finally, members were informed of a new bathroom policy which is being implemented due to vaping and groups meeting in the toilet areas.

Date of next meeting: Weds Nov 8, 6 pm.