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Minutes of the Parent Forum meeting/AGM held at Baltasound Junior High School on Tuesday 7th May 2019, at 6.30pm in Room 4.

Present: Mrs Vaila Thomason (Joint Chair)
 Mr Murray Brown Mrs Erika Brown
 Margo Spence Ms Colva Peterson
 Mr George Rodger Mrs Cheryl Jamieson

In Attendance: Mr Paul Thomson
 Miss Hazel Sinclair

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Kevin Priest, Karen Gray, Matthew Cox, Julie Thomson, Derek Jamieson, Lisa Hunter and Victoria Mouat.

Victoria will step down as joint chair. Vaila will continue as Chair.
 Matthew will join as a parent member – his daughter will be on the 2019-20 school roll. Jane Macaulay will join as co-opted member.
 George will step down as staff member – he retires at summer.
 Vaila will ask Adam Ramsay if he would like to join as staff member.

Overview of Parent Council Activities:

Last year, the Parent Council were involved in many activities – some of which were;
 MacMillan Coffee morning
 St. Andrew's Coffee morning
 Christmas Farmers' Market
 Christmas Concert

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th March 2019 were read and approved.

Matters Arising From Minutes

School Improvement Plan

Growing own veg – polycrub
 Bottle tops – lush
 Plastic bottles.

Fundraising

Cooke Aquaculture - £10,000 awarded, bringing the costs of the Edinburgh trip for parents down to £100 each per student.

Volunteering in School

PVG's? Paul will look further into this.

Are separate PVG's needed for different jobs? The PVG number is used and so it is quicker, but it does still need to be separate. Various volunteering opportunities would be available, not just for those with specific skills.

Sports Day – a good opportunity for bringing volunteers in.

School Motto

School Motto – '*Nurturing a passion for living and learning together*'

Competition now closed and entries are narrowed down to 4 or 5 options. The winning motto could be used on banners, displays etc and promotional items could be purchased (pens, pencils, rulers etc).

Area outside the front door: The school may be able to apply for a grant from awards for all to go towards an artist to create artwork/mural for the wall just outside the front door.

Would there be anyone local who would be willing to do this? This could tie in with the new motto.

Unplugged Challenge

Unplugged Week – the week beginning 17th June.

No devices to be brought into school.

PT – parking lot sheet discussed – a place to 'park' phones when in class/during class time.

Questionnaire – a couple of weeks before the unplugged challenge and then again at the end of unplugged week.

Next Meeting

To be decided in the new school year.

AOCB

Polycrub The polycrub is waiting to go up and so volunteers are needed.

Raised beds for the polycrub?

Volunteering

Saltire Awards – Adam?

Staffing

Art, Fetlar, Early Years, Supervisory – all posts should hopefully be filled within the next couple of weeks.

Computing – Paul still covering.

