

Baxter High School Board

Minutes of the meeting of Bell Baxter High School Board held on Tuesday 20th March, 2007 at 7.30 p.m. in the Café Bar, Carslogie Road.

Present: Michael Anderson, Norma Davis (Chairman), Judith Fusaro (Vice-Chairman), Shona McLeod, Bryan Poole, Michael Ritchie

In Attendance: Douglas Campbell, Philip Black, Cllr Margaret Kennedy, Ben Elliott

1. Welcome and Apologies – Welcome to Phil Black, Designate Rector. Apologies from Lucy Jacob, Iain McLean, Jane Parker, Cllr. Loretta Mordi.

2. Adoption of Minutes – agreed

3. Matters Arising from Minutes – Nil

4. Correspondence

Thank you cards received from Douglas Campbell and Marie Lambert.

5. School Lets

Request for ME Support Fife for the Assembly Hall on Sunday 17th June from 2.00 - 5.00 p.m. for a concert. Agreed.

The school has been approached by the Douglas Bader Garden requesting use of the school car park outwith normal school hours. Mr Campbell has given a positive written reply to this request subject to the board's approval. To be considered at the next meeting.

6. Rector's Report

- i) Bell Baxter's Sporting success continued on Saturday, with Sarah Kelly S3 becoming Scottish Schools Under 15 Cross Country Champion. She has now been selected to represent Scotland in the British School International in Dublin on Saturday 31st March.
- ii) The girls football team have made it to the finals of the Coca Cola 7's which will take place at Hampden Stadium.
- iii) The S2 Parents' Evening and Curriculum Information Evening were trialled as a joint event this year. Consultation with staff and parents to determine the layout of these two events next session.
- iv) James McVittie, Scottish Executive, visited the school last month as part of a consultation exercise with schools on the current exam system.
- v) A civic reception is planned for Thursday 29th March for the Rugby team. The team have also been awarded the Junior Citizen of the Year Award and an event will take place on Tuesday 27th March.
- vi) Events before the end of term include the S3 Parents' Evenings, Spring Concert and the Centenary Concert, which this year will be held at Waid Academy. Mrs Angela Clark will be accompanying two pupils from Bell Baxter to Africa as part of the Connecting Classrooms project.

vii) School trips over the Easter break are going to France (Sports Tour), Madrid and New York.

viii) Staffing

- Alix Tindall has been appointed Principal Teacher of Mathematics, 2nd post and will start after the Easter break.
- Andrew Dykes has been appointed Teacher of Physics and will start after the Easter break.
- Claire McGarrie has been appointed temporary Support For Learning Assistant, she is currently working for the school in a supply capacity.
- Alison Webster has been appointed Phoenix Operator, this is a promotion with the Admin team for Alison.
- Douglas Campbell will retire at the end of the term after 23 years service to the school.

7. AGM Planning

A speaker for the Parental Forum was proposed as a speaker. Sandra Martin recently made a presentation at the Secondary Heads meeting. Mr Black will also give a brief talk as the new Rector of Bell Baxter.

8. AOCB

Douglas Campbell thanked the board for their support over the years.

Date of next Board meeting – To be confirmed.

Sylvia McNaught
Clerk to the School Board

20th March, 2007.