

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - 02/03/10

Period Six

Room 21

Agenda Items

1. Update on Minutes From Last Meeting:

- **Meeting with Mrs. MacDonald** – Sadly, only Gabby turned up to see Mrs. MacDonald and hopefully other people will turn up next time. Currently ideas are at a basic stage and Gabby reported back that Mrs. MacDonald has spoken to Mr. Hull and he says he will be happy to have year 7s paint stones for the garden.
- **Quad** – The Quad has been discussed by teachers and at the moment there is not a lot that can be done until it is opened for access in the summer term. It was suggested that it could be used as an alternative corridor to avoid congestion around room 10 – Patrick Ikkena will formulate ideas on paper and give to Mrs. Thatcher.
- **Board and Logo Competition** – The new backing for the board has been done and it was suggested that a ‘Suggestions Pouch’ should be on the board and also a list of members. Logo Competition – Mr. Hull has been doing entries with his art class and Mrs. Lilliman has with her form. Deadline for entries is Friday 12th March.

2. Haiti Appeal: L6D successfully raised £141.67 at the weakest link on Friday and so the current school total stands at £1382.23. One shelter box has already been sent and the council decided to send another one at the same price of £490.

3. Food Committee: Mrs. Brooks wanted to know from the council how the Chinese Day went down and it was very well received with the only down point being the length of the queues which is unavoidable if the day is so popular. A meeting is to be held on Thursday 4th March in Mrs. Thatcher’s office at 1:30 for the food committee.

4. Pupil Priorities: The council was asked what they think the priorities of pupils in the school are. It was suggested that many pupils thought the toilets needed revamping and that this would be good to include in the reformation of the changing rooms. Also, curriculum was mentioned but Mrs. Thatcher told the council that with the curriculum review happening for 2010/ 2011 that Mr. Howard was keen to hold small forums to

discuss this. The issue of maybe getting new planners was suggested to be on the agenda for the next meeting.

- 5. Schools Involvement In 10:10** : 10:10 is a government initiative to reduce the carbon footprint of schools by 10% by the end of 2010. For example, lights should be switched off when leaving the room etc. and *that school council members should spread the word* as it would mean more money for resources for pupils around the school.

A.O.B.

1) It was suggested that £5000 was a lot of money to be spent on a tranquillity garden when the main restraint on ever doing anything the council may suggest seems to be funds. Mrs. Thatcher told the council that the budget has certain headings under which funding is allocated and she undertook to provide student briefing on this next time.

2) It was also suggested that a Facebook group should be set up for the school council so that pupils from the school would be able offer suggestions on the page and it would be able to be used to update students on anything that is happening in the school. Mrs Thatcher to discuss with SLT.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 17th March, Period 2 in the Library.

Any suggestions for additional Agenda Items should be sent to Chris, Helen or Ross.