

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - 27/01/10

Period One

Library

Help For Haiti: In the meeting, it arose that there was some ambiguity as to whether the year 11s were allowed to go on their English trip in non-school uniform this Friday and if they weren't then potentially, £120 would be lost in money raised. The decision was made to postpone the non-uniform day to next Friday (Friday 5th February), posters will go up around school, Jonny Unwin to sort. It was also thought that the inter-form competition to raise money should be launched soon and a preliminary poster has been drawn up by Andy – he will carry on his work and also look into a 'shoe box' type appeal. It was also suggested that the inter-form competition could be an annual thing for different charities and this was well received.

School Council Board: Ideas were thought of for what should be on the School Council board. It was thought that a shortened version of the minutes should be on the board, changed each week, Jonny Unwin will provide. Also, the main points that the school council are addressing at the moment should be on the board, as long with who is on the council and a council photo. Volunteers were asked for to sort the board out, Jessie Emmerson, Anabelle Bates and Adam Abdullah kindly volunteered.

School Council Logo: Mrs. Thatcher showed us three ideas for school council logos which would appear on minutes, newsletters and posters etc. to brand the council. Also, a colour scheme for minutes to be printed on. It was suggested that a competition to design the logo should be launched within school. After much deliberation it was decided that the competition should be free to enter and Archie and George will organize posters and things to do with the competition. Drawn or electronic entries can be submitted, via a folder on the Q drive or a tray near the office, Archie and George to organise too. Deadline to be set as the last day of half-term.

Update on Changing Rooms: The council were informed that the changing rooms had made it onto the agenda for the Governors' meeting and that governors had given their support to the project subject to cost. To what extent is not known yet and won't be known until architects have come in to advise and give quotes for work. The governors support getting rid of the showers in order to provide more changing space. It was thought that the school should be told about time and cost gone into changing rooms and that really, they should value it and treat the new changing rooms with respect and keep them nice. Mrs. Thatcher said she will endeavour to keep the school council involved as much as possible. The idea of lockers was

brought up but was thought that this would be an item to discuss further down the remodelling process.

Any Other Business:

- 1) Mr. Barker, from the 'Horncastle Town Plan' has asked for some representatives from the school council to represent the school on the board for this. It was suggested that people from Horncastle might be best suited to do, as only three people on the council live in Horncastle, these volunteered to do it they are Jess, Ross and Callum.
- 2) The School Travel Plan is part of a government scheme to improve school transport and if it is completed then the school could receive a grant for up to £10, 000 to spend on improving access to school. The current thought is that it will be used to separate the pedestrian and vehicle access into school, which could do with improvement.
- 3) Miss. MacDonald has been invited into the next meeting to discuss the tranquillity garden which she is keen to get started on and to have input from the council.

Suggested agenda items for next meeting - Tranquillity Garden, Lost Property and the Quad + focus on improving outdoor seating.