

## Comann nam Pàrant (Nàiseanta) (CnP(N))

### Geàrr-chunntas na coinneimh / *Minute of meeting*

Disathairne 14/11/2015 aig 10m / *Saturday 14/10/2015 at 10am*  
Oifis CNAG, Glasgow

#### **An làthair / *Present***

Bob McGowan	Dùn Èideann agus Lodainn
Marsaili Dow	Ionmhasair
Magaidh Wentworth	Oifigear Phàrant
Diorbhail Wentworth	Oifigear Leasachaidh
Gill Steele	Obar Pheallaidh
Kathleen Macleod	Na-h-Eileanan Iar
Iona McTaggart	Na-h-Eileanan Iar

#### **1. Leisgeulan / *Apologies***

Dawn Morgan	Inbhir Nis
Fiona Stephen	Convenor, CnP Dhùn Èideann
Kirstie Birr	Glaschu

#### **2. Geàrr-chunntas na coinneimh, 28<sup>mh</sup> Lùnastal 2015**

##### ***Minute of meeting, 28<sup>th</sup> August 2015***

2.1. The minute of the meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> August was approved.

Proposed: Gill Steele

Seconded: Kathleen Macleod

#### **3. Gnothaichean ag èirigh nach eil air a' chlàr-chùisean**

##### ***Matters arising not on agenda***

3.1. CNP to comment to BNG on value of second CnP post and request funding for continuation beyond 12 months.

3.2. CNP to write letter requesting meeting with Bruce Robertson

3.3. Statutory guidance stakeholder meetings and lack of collaboration with CNP both national and local discussed

3.4. Edinburgh CNP still awaiting reply from Douglas Ansdell

#### **4. Prògram obrach làitheil agus cuisean ag èirigh/ Bile an Fhoghlaim**

##### ***Current Programme of work and issues/Education Bill***

4.1. Magaidh Wentworth covered her current program of work. In discussion with Bruce Robertson trying to secure funding for the Glasgow Gaelic Club which is facing ongoing issues. There has been a delay in Meriel Young's report on the Parental Advisory Scheme, she hopes to have a draft by the end of the year. There is a new CNP group in Thurso where there currently is a probationer teacher who teaches 4 days per week and children having

English teaching on the fifth day. However Highland Council are now advertising for a second part-time post. We may have also have a CNP group established in Glen Urquhart early in the new year.

4.2. Diorbhail Wentworth covered her program of work. Assisting CNP Oban with their campaign for a standalone school. Organising a fun day in East Kilbride to try and improve the numbers in next year's intake. Production of a number of new resources – postcards and home flashcards/posters.

4.3. Discussion of the Education Bill.

4.3.1. Bob provided update on meeting with Minister Alasdair Alan, overall positive meeting with the minister appearing receptive to views of parents. Kathleen enquired about feedback, a letter has been written as a follow up.

4.3.2. Gill suggested that CNP goes through the Bill again once amendments have been made, question arose of what course of action should be taken if none of CNPs amendments have been included. Suggestion of approaching Mary Scanlon MSP directly if CNP unhappy with amendments.

4.3.3. Agreed that the statutory guidance the current priority to ensure the legislation is as robust as possible.

4.3.4. Gill to make local submission regarding statutory guidance on behalf of Perth/Aberfeldy CNP. All submissions should ideally in by December.

4.3.5. Magaidh suggested CNP make another submission specifically discussing the role of CNP.

4.3.6. Gill suggested using other relevant guidance (Wales, Ireland) for assistance in writing submissions. Recommended a generic submission be written and made available via social media that others can tailor then send it.

## **5. Pròiseact 'Thig a Chluich' 'Come and Play' Project**

5.1. Iona covered the success of the project, especially in Stornoway where attendance is almost too high, although not always so well attended rurally.

## **6. Maoineachadh Tràth Bhliadhnaichean Early Years Funding**

6.1. Magaidh has applied for funding for the next three years, looking for £130,000 in the first year and increasing each year.

## **7. Poileasaidhean Comann Nam Pàrant Comann Nam Pàrant Policy Document**

7.1. Social Media policy discussed and agreed to change 'Magaidh Wentworth' to 'the Parental Officer' as Named Person

## **8. Cuairt-litir / Newsletter**

8.1. Cover guidance, baby yoga (Aberfeldy), Bookbug

## **9. Aithisg Ionmhasair / *Treasurer's Report***

9.1. Marsaili provided an update on accounts.

## **10. GISBE / AOCB**

10.1. Kathleen informed us that Western Isles Council is reducing additional classroom support. There are ongoing problems with the Sgoil-àraich in Shawbost but Sradagan continues to thrive.

10.2. Need for language support assistants and preferential ratios to be covered in statutory guidance discussed.

10.3. Stuart Dunmore PhD thesis discussed as reference point for parents to use

10.4. Isabel Bain GME pupil received highest mark for History higher in Scotland with 98%