

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

### **Geàrr-chunntas na coinneimh**

#### *Minute of meeting*

Disathairne 20 Sultain 2014 aig 10m / *Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 10am*

**An Lèanag, Unit 1, Mansefield Street, Glasgow, G11 5QP**

### **An làthair**

#### *Present*

Bob McGowan

Daibhidh Sutherland

Marsaili Dow

Fiona Stephen

Magaidh Wentworth

Mairi MacMillan

Dùn Èideann agus Lodainn

Meadhan Alba

Ionmhasair

Convenor, CnP Dhùn Èideann

Oifigear Phàrant

Bòrd na Gàidhlig

### **1. Leisgeulan**

#### *Apologies*

Kathleen Macleod

Iona McTaggart

Gill Steele

Dawn Morgan

Na-h-Eileanan Iar

Na-h-Eileanan Iar

Obar Pheallaidh

Inbhir Nis

### **2. Geàrr-chunntas na coinneimh, 14 Ògmhios 2014**

#### *Minute of meeting, 14<sup>th</sup> June 2014*

The minute of the meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> June was approved.

Proposed: Marsaili Dow

Seconded: Daibhidh Sutherland

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

#### *Matters arising not on agenda*

There were no matters arising not on the Agenda.

### **4. Prògram obrach làitheil agus cuisean ag èirigh**

#### *Current Programme of work and issues*

The Scottish Government consultation on Gaelic education closed on 10<sup>th</sup> September.

CnP(N) has responded and actively encouraged local CnP groups and individual parents to respond. There has reportedly been a good number of responses which will be collated by the end of this year and then recommendations taken forward.

The Parental Advisory Scheme continues to grow and we are currently working on developing local plans working with the early year's sector. There are a number of CnP local groups who are meeting again following a period of inactivity, including Tongue in Sutherland and East Kilbride. The intake to P1 this year is expected to be over 500 which is excellent news.

Parents continue to have concerns about ongoing problems with teacher supply and the issue is still the focus for the local CnP group in Edinburgh. The Headteacher has teaching commitments and the school has employed one Irish speaking teacher this year. The committee discussed the ongoing difficulties with teacher supply.

## **5. Iarrtas 'Awards for All' airson tachartas nàiseanta**

### *Awards for All application for national event*

It was agreed to proceed with the application to Awards for All in order to hold a national event for parents early in 2015. There was discussion on possible venues and dates. It was recommended that the event be held in May to coincide with the CnP(N) AGM.

Action: MW to progress

## **6. Structar Comann nam Pàrant / comataidh**

### *Comann nam Pàrant structure / committee*

At previous CnP(N) meetings the committee have been discussing the option of co-opting more members in order to bring more skills to the group and strengthen the committee.

Mairi (BnaG) informed the committee on recent discussions that have been held between BnaG, chairs of the Parent Councils from the 3 Gaelic schools and Scottish Government. There is a feeling from that Gaelic Parent Councils are currently not represented at national level through the National Parent Forum. It was suggested that there might be an opportunity for stronger links between Parent Councils and Comann nam Pàrant.

The committee discussed the relationship between the two groups at local level and it was felt that there was need for further discussion with both groups and BnaG.

Action: Meeting to discuss further prior to next CnP(N) meeting

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

The latest edition has been produced and distributed. Members were reminded that contributions are always welcome.

## **7. Duaisean Gàidhlig 2014 / Gaelic Awards**

Nominations are currently being sought for The Daily Record sponsored Gaelic Awards 2014. The committee discussed and agreed on nominations for several categories.

Action: Nominations to be put forward

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

Marsaili provided an update on accounts.

## **9. GISBE / AOCB**

The privately run nursery provision in Glasgow is now under new ownership but will continue to provide Gaelic pre-school. Comann nam Pàrant in Glasgow has donated £5k to the school for computers.

Bookbug training is being organised by Fay McDiarmaid at BnaG.

## **An ath choinneamh / Next meeting**

22<sup>nd</sup> November in Glasgow.