

## DREACHD

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

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

Disathairne 12/03/2016 aig 10m / *Saturday 12/03/2016 at 10am*  
Oifis CNAG, Glasgow

#### **An làthair / Present**

Bob McGowan	Dùn Èideann agus Lodainn
Marsaili Dow	Ionmhasair
Magaidh Wentworth	Oifigear Phàrant
Gill Steele	Obar Pheallaidh
Fiona Stephen	Convenor, CnP Dhùn Èideann
Kathleen Macleod	Na-h-Eileanan Iar
Iona McTaggart	Na-h-Eileanan Iar
Douglas Morrison (12-1)	Convenor, SGG Parent Council

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

Dawn Morgan	Inbhir Nis
Kirstie Birr	Glaschu
Diorbhail Wentworth	Oifigear Leasachaidh

#### **2. Geàrr-chunntas na coinneimh, 14<sup>mh</sup> Samhain 2015** ***Minute of meeting, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2015***

- 2.1. The minute of the meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> November was approved.  
Proposed: Marsaili Dow  
Seconded: Kathleen Macleod

#### **3. Gnothaichean ag èirigh nach eil air a' chlàr-chùisean** ***Matters arising not on agenda***

- 3.1. CNP to write to BNG on value of second CnP post and request funding for continuation beyond 12 months.
- 3.2. CNP representatives have met with Bruce Robertson. Bob and Fiona provided a summary of the meeting to committee. The discussion had mainly focussed on teacher supply, the role of language assistants in the immersion class, the upcoming paper on National Guidance and the role of CNP with regard to the Education Act. All parties felt that it was overall a positive discussion. Bruce indicated that he would like to meet with the committee and it was agreed to invite him to our next meeting.
- 3.3. The Meriel Young report on the Parental Advisory Scheme has gone to BnaG and members were informed at their meeting with Bruce that it would be available soon. It was agreed that as stakeholders in GME and as one of the main organisations involved in promotion of GME that CnP would benefit from seeing recommendations from Meriel's research. Bob to follow this up on behalf of CnP.

#### **4. Prògram obrach làitheil agus cuisean ag èirigh/ Bile an Fhoghlaim *Current Programme of work and issues/Education Bill***

- 4.1. Comann nam Pàrant were delighted with the Stage 3 amendment which includes Comann nam Pàrant as a consultee in the process as described in the Bill.
- 4.2. Magaidh Wentworth reported on the current program of work.
- 4.3. Comann nam Pàrant and Comunn na Gàidhlig have been informed of cuts to 2016-17 budgets. Members agreed to write to BnaG expressing concern at the cut to CnP budget and possible effects of this.
- 4.4. We are awaiting publication of the draft paper and there will then follow a 3 month consultation period. A number of CnP groups submitted papers with their thoughts on the content of this document and members are hoping for a robust paper. We will encourage our members to participate in the consultation and stress with them the importance of engaging with this process.
- 4.5. Fiona updated members on the recent upset regarding proposals that were to go to council last week for secondary Gaelic medium provision in Edinburgh to take effective from this August. CnP were very pleased with the support from Bruce Robertson as interim CEO of BnaG in dealing with this crisis. It has now been agreed that there will be no change to provision for this year but that there will be a consultation process on future provision. CnP in Edinburgh will continue to engage with the council.
- 4.6. Douglas Morrison, chair of SGG Parent Council joined the meeting to update the committee on the situation in Glasgow where parents have been refused admission to P1 for this August. There was a wide ranging discussion on this. Members felt strongly that GME should be available to all and that it is contrary to SG policy on increasing numbers of children in GME to turn away any applicant.

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

- 5.1. The project is through to the final stage of STV’s ‘The People’s Project’ and we will know the outcome next week.

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

- 6.1. CnP has been granted £90K for this coming year from SG to support early years’ provision. This is less than applied for and may limit our funding of early years groups.

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

- 7.1 Contributions for the Spring edition are due now.

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

- 8.1. Marsaili provided an update on accounts and the satisfactory status was noted.

#### **9. GISBE / *AOCB***

The next meeting will be committee meeting and AGM on May 14<sup>th</sup>.  
(subsequently changed to June 4<sup>th</sup>)

