

# The Educational Institute of Scotland Perth and Kinross Local Association

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Minute of a meeting of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the Local Association held in the Queens Hotel, Perth, at 7 pm, on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2007**, with the President, Ms Holly Conlon, in the chair.

1. **Sederunt:** G.Burns, H.Conlon, T.Duncan, A.McAuley, A.MacKenzie, J.Millar, D.Munro, S.Peddie, I.Scott, D.Stewart  
**G.Campbell, Local Officer**

2. **Apologies:** J.Devine, M.Mackintosh, J.Ramsay

3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2007** were approved.

4. **Matters Arising:**

5b) Managing Incidents of Violence & Aggression. D.Stewart to have meeting in Pullar House.

H.MacKenzie has not yet replied to C.Mackie's letter.

9b)2) Jobsizing training. Possibility of union members being trained with P&K officials.

5. **Reports:**

- (a) **P&K Lifelong Learning Committee** (22<sup>nd</sup> August) D.Stewart reporting:

The E&CS business plan approved.

“A Curriculum for Excellence” document discussed.

Discussion on new Almondbank House facility for Primary children not coping with mainstream.

Health & Wellbeing document discussed.

Holiday dates reissued for 2008/09 to give an extra week's summer holiday in 2008.

- (b) **JNCT** (20<sup>th</sup> August) A.McAuley reporting:

New Teachers' Panel met prior to this.

Headteacher Appointments: Parent member of panel must not be a member of staff.

(c) **Managing Teacher Competency Group** (30<sup>th</sup> May) D.Stewart reporting:

First meeting of group. M.Anderson, the chair, emphasised the supportive nature of any process involving staff under stress or underperforming etc.

The aim is to produce a training package for Headteachers.

(d) **School Estate Strategy Group** (23<sup>rd</sup> August) D.Stewart reporting:

IIL project. Commercial close has been achieved, and project given approval. Any changes should hopefully not affect the achievement of full financial closure. The costs of the whole project will come out of the Council budget as a whole, and not particularly out of Education.

(e) **Staffing Formula for Secondary Schools meeting** (20<sup>th</sup> August) A.McAuley reporting:

C.Webb wishes to review staffing formula – will look at comparator authorities.

C.Webb wants a 5year workforce plan for schools – to tie in with Learning & Teaching.

Concern that some P&K officials may wish to revisit the role of PT's.

(f) **Treasurer's Report** W.Henderson reporting:

Nearing end of financial year. Funds stand at approx. £51,000 but will fall from this value.

Approval given to provide a mobile phone for the Secretary.

6. **JNCT Teachers' Panel**: arrangements

S.Simpson did not wish to be nominated at present. S.Peddie nominated.

7. **EIS Local Office update**

Office now has some more comfortable seating to allow meetings with members.

D.Stewart has bought 12 vouchers to use the meeting room.

Secretarial laptop still non-functional – with EIS HQ.

8. **National President's Visit on 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

Suggested visits to Blairgowrie HS, Hill Primary, RDM Primary and with J.Fyfe at Pullar House.

**9. 2008 AGM arrangements**

The Secretary to book rooms in Dundee.

**10. Correspondence**

Application for EIS life membership for R.Dickson – no reply from HQ.

Political fund ballot in September.

**11. Date of Next Meeting: Executive Meeting Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2007 Algo Business Centre 7pm**

General meeting: Talk by Kirsty Devaney, National President. **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Algo. 7pm.**

Preceded by High Tea in Lovat House 5.30pm.

**12. AOCB**

Successful conclusion to dispute at Perth College.

Concern at level of support being given to non-English speaking pupils in mainstream classes.

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There being no other business, the meeting ended at 8.20pm, with thanks to the chair.