

## **Minute of Meeting**

Clackmannanshire EIS Local Association

ABM Wed 5th March 2025

### **1. Constitution of Meeting**

Chair: Donal Hurley

Minute: Wendy Cowan

Present: Teresa Barker, Karen Farrell, Linsay Hunter, Donal Hurley, Gordon Joyce

Sorsha Imrie Paterson, Heather Grant, Gordon Tibbets, Graeme Wright, Lucy McCappin, Chris Swan, Karen Wilson

Apologies: Rob Henthorn (Guest speaker from EIS HQ)

Donal Hurley- President of LE formally welcomed all to the meeting and thanked people who had given up their personal time to support the ABM!

He acknowledged apologies from Guest Speaker, Rob Henthorn who had planned to update on the current campaign – Stand up for Quality Education.

### **2. Approval of the order of Business**

Agenda approved

Proposed: Linsay Hunter

Seconded: Karen Farrell

Agenda approved: Yes

### **3. Minutes of the ABM 2024**

Minutes approved

Proposed: Donal Hurley

Seconded: Teresa Barker

Minute approved: Yes

### **4. Secretary's Report**

4.1:1

Karen Farrell gave brief resume on her work as Local Association Secretary over the past year including

- At present a local branch report is underway in response to the Stand up for Quality Education campaign. The Council has recently carried out review relating to Violence and Aggression in educational establishments.

- Rob Henthorn has visited several establishments over recent months to collate information and is now working on an Action Plan which will be discussed at the LNCT once complete. There were 500 incidents reported last month; staff are querying lack of feedback.
- Budget – continued cuts remain a concern. Teachers were reminded the tackling workload still stands and teaching staff are advised not to take on additional duties such as lunch time cover.
- Clarification to the floor of the purpose of LNCT, including how it is made up. (6 Union members – 5 EIS members who sit on the LE and 1 SSTA member; 6 members from Management. Michael Boyle is the Chair at present but this position rotates annually.
- Karen Farrell announced she was retiring from LA Secretary; a ballot will take place for new Secretary; this will be sent in electronic format from EIS HQ. Candidates standing are Teresa Barker and Gordon Joyce.

## **5. Treasurers Report**

Gordon Joyce submitted accounts for approval and the Treasurers report.

### **5:1:1**

Audited accounts finalised for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024. Auditors found everything to be in order. Accounts available and present to all attending ABM.

Net Funds available at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024 were £39,554.

Proposed: Teresa Barker

Seconded: Linsay Hunter

Agreed: Yes

### **5:1:2**

It was proposed and seconded Local Subscriptions remain at Band B for the coming year.

Proposed: Teresa Barker

Seconded: Linsay Hunter

Agreed: Yes

### **5:1:3**

EIS HQ will continue to audit the accounts for the Local Association.

Proposed: Donal Hurley

Seconded: Sorsha Imrie Paterson

Agreed: Yes

### **5:1:4**

**Charitable Donations** - Explanation given regarding charitable donations, in particular Benevolent Fund which is available to any EIS member who requires support in times of financial hardship.

Charity donations for the coming year:

**EIS Benevolent Fund £100**

Proposed: Lindsay Hunter

Seconded: Karen Farrell

Agreed: Yes

**The Gate Project - Alloa £100**

Proposed: Donal Hurley

Seconded: Teresa Barker

Agreed: Yes

**Play Alloa £100**

Proposed: Karen Wilson

Seconded: Heather Grant

Agreed: Yes

**5:1:5**

Treasurer asked floor for permission to move money from Instant Access Account to Group **Account** if required, throughout the year.

Proposed: Heather Grant

Seconded: Gordon Tibbets

The Local Executive Committee reserved the right to make further donations throughout the year if they receive requests from EIS HQ for specific donations.

**6. Motion/Constitutional Amendments**

There were no proposals this year. All relevant items were local and will therefore be included in LNCT discussion.

There were therefore no Constitutional Amendments.

Clacks LE has put forward two draft motions for AGM 2025; awaiting feedback from HQ prior to submitting both.

Donal Hurley shared both motions with floor.

## **7. Election of Officers**

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| Karen Farrell         | Secretary (ballot pending) |
| Wendy Cowan           | Minute Secretary           |
| Linsay Hunter         | President                  |
| Teresa Barker         | Committee                  |
| Donal Hurley          | Committee                  |
| Gordon Joyce          | Treasurer (Acting)         |
| Sorsha Imrie Paterson | Committee                  |
| Ellie Macfarlane      | Committee                  |

All above nominated uncontested and formally duly elected.

As Karen will be retiring from her role in the near future there will be a ballot for Secretary. Candidates are Teresa Barker and Gordon Joyce

The Local Executive Committee reserves the right to accept additional members onto the Committee if approached by interested parties throughout the year.

EIS Council Members: Teresa Barker/ Gordon Joyce

EIS National AGM Reps – Karen Farrell, Donal Hurley, Wendy Cowan

## **8. AOCB**

### **8:1:1**

Reps' dinner to be held at Dunmar House Hotel – 26<sup>th</sup> May. All Reps welcome and can invite one other to attend! There will be an invited guest from EIS HQ in attendance.

### **8:1:2**

Forum of LNCT discussed. Minutes of all meetings are recorded and written up afterwards.

Chair is swapped each year – Management/ Union every alternative year.

Donal Hurley thanked all members for their attendance at the ABM before formally closing the meeting.