

BANBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL 2012 /2013



Minutes of Meeting 31st January 2013, 11.15 am, in the Library.

The following were present; Mrs H Hughes, Mr B McGlone, Mrs J Denver, Kris Thompson, Chloe Heslip, Molly Butler, Chloe Gardiner, Simon McCallister, Claudia Scott, Samantha Hanna, Dan McCready.

Apologies were received from Christian Baird, Alana Keery, Christopher Magill and Christopher Ferguson.

1. Welcome

Mrs Hughes welcomed everyone to the inaugural meeting of the newly elected council and congratulated everyone on their election to office.

2. Name for Council

It was agreed that the group would simply be known as the Student Council.

3. Location for Noticeboard

Mrs Hughes has mentioned this to Mr Bell and it has been agreed to put the Student Council noticeboard outside the Drama Studio. This will display minutes of meetings and all the Student Council news.

4. Frequency of meetings

The council will meet initially at the end of each month

5. Communication

Information will be sent to pupils via school e-mail. Mr McGlone will organise this. Minutes of meetings will be posted on the school website and use will be made of the Student Newsletter.

6. Officer Bearers

Initially a different member of the council will chair the meetings each month. Simon, Kris, Claudia and Molly agreed to do this. Simon will chair the next meeting. The council will nominate members for the roles of secretary, publicity officer, treasurer etc. later on in the term. Samantha Hanna and Alana Keery have expressed interest in the role of publicity officer.

7. Frequency of Elections

A general election will take place every two years and elections will take place in November next academic year to elect new candidates for Years 8, 12, and 13/14.

8. Issues

Councillors raised a number of issues which had been brought to their attention by their respective Year groups.

- Canteen – more selection for fillings for wraps
- Mikshakes
- Notices about not bringing food out of the canteen
- Vending machines which stock healthy products (fruit packets, juices)

Other issues

- New football nets (which can be put up for matches)
- More activities at lunchtime
- More use of tennis courts and football pitches
- More use of Library at lunchtime
- Picnic benches in playground
- More bins in playground

At the next meeting these issues will be prioritised and an action plan put in place for this year. Ideas for fund raising will also be discussed.

The meeting concluded at 12.05 p.m.