



**Gleniffer High School
Parent Council**

Subject: Parent Council Meeting

Date: 9th March 2026

Minutes taken by: Susan Gray

Venue: Gleniffer High School

Date Issued: 26 April 2026

Present:

PRESENT		APOLOGIES	
Julie Connell (JC)	Chairperson	Lyndsay McLaughlin (LM)	Parent Member
Susan Gray (SG)	Secretary	Victoria Hepburn (VH)	Parent Member
Jenni Harrison (JH)	Parent Member	Lisa Watt (LW)	Parent Member
Nicola West (NW)	Parent Member	Dr Chinyendu J Okoronkwo (CO)	Parent Member
Julie McCulloch (JM)	Parent Member	Fin O'Sullivan (FO)	Parent Member
Suzanne Baxter (SB)	Parent Member	Tracy Hawes	Parent Member
Katrina Gelston (KG)	Parent Member		
Yvonne Wilson (YW)	Parent Member		
Archie Speirs (AS)	Parent Member		
Lisa Chalmers (HT)	Head Teacher		
Gemma Denny	Acting Deputy Head Teacher	ABSENT	
Student Leaders Present:			

1. Welcome & Apologies

JC opened the meeting and welcomed all.

2. Minutes

Minutes of AGM and the first PC Meeting held on 9th February 2026 were approved.

3. Headteacher's Report

Staffing

LC advised that adverts have been posted on My Job Scotland for Geography, Computing and Technical. There are a number of other vacancies to be filled but LC is awaiting decisions from HQ about filling these. Mrs Kelly – Support for Learning- was successful in her application as Project Lead of The Promise. This piece of work will run for 2 years and will put a focus on transitions, wider achievement and opportunities for Care Experienced young people.

Attendance

LC explained that GHS is part of an Education Scotland pilot on attendance which targets a small group of pupils whose attendance is causing concern. Mr Gray is leading this project and working alongside the house teams. The project runs until June, is bespoke to each pupil and is reviewed on a weekly basis. In addition, LC reviews the weekly attendance in each house and highlight pupils who require follow up by pastoral support.

Bullying data

On a monthly basis LC and her team review bullying logs to identify whether there are any patterns to behaviours. The most recent data pull identified actual or perceived sexual orientation as a factor in bullying cases. LC will be covering this during assemblies and PC Muir will also deliver part of this to raise awareness of the legal aspect of discrimination. LC advised that PC Muir's presence in the school has been a great success so far with exclusions having dropped dramatically and him being a huge support for parents and pupils.

Timetable

LC advised that Mr Gould is now working on the timetable for session 2026/27. This is a lengthy process and will be ongoing for the next few weeks. In a small number of cases, they will be unable to run some classes due to class sizes not being viable. Any pupils affected will be informed and have another meeting to discuss the best options for them.

Attainment

LC shared with the PC Insight leavers' data. A copy of the Powerpoint is provided with these Minutes.

Family learning – G Denny

GD informed the PC about the four week parenting workshop – 'Understanding your Teenager' - programme aimed at the S2 cohort.

Calendar Dates

18th March - S3 Live n Learn input
26th March - Renfrewshire Rocks
30th March - Improving Outcomes for Young People Meeting
1st April - S6 Graduation
2nd April - S6 Last day Lapwing Lodge
20th April - Exam Leave and Masterclasses begin
27th April - Parent Council Meeting

6.AOCB

JC advised the PC that the PTA Summer Raffle was being organised and invited donations from members with the Raffle due to be drawn in June. JC explained the resources provided by the PTA to the school from the funds raised and how these are making a difference to pupils.

5. Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 27 April 2025 at 7pm.

Reminder of other future meeting dates:

1st June 2026