

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

EDUCATION SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 31 OCTOBER 2000 AT 1000 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Tommy Farrell, Brian Reeves, Lilian MacLean, Iain Linton, John Knapp, Finlay MacLean, Julie Faulds, Provost Jimmy Boyd, Councillor Elaine Dinwoodie and Iain Harvey, Teacher Representative.

ATTENDING: John Mulgrew, Director of Educational and Social Services; Robin Gourlay, Contracts Manager; Kenneth MacKinlay, Principal Quality Development Officer; Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager and Christine Baillie, Trainee Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Willie Coffey and David Macrae and John McHugh, Church Representative.

CHAIR: Councillor Tommy Farrell, Chair.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

1. The Chair welcomed to the meeting Margaret Harper, Assistant Head Teacher and pupils, Stuart Strachan and Ruth Allanson from Grange Academy, Janet Ure, Head Teacher and pupils, Duncan Philp and Rachel Cairns from Ochiltree Primary School and Sally Lang, Teacher and pupil, David Muir from Woodstock School and also Assistant Firemaster Phil Robinson and Assistant Divisional Officer John Milligan, Strathclyde Fire Brigade.

PRESENTATION BY SCHOOLS WHO WERE AWARDED MOTOROLA NATIONAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION FOR WORK AND ENTERPRISE (WOODSTOCK SCHOOL, OCHILTREE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND GRANGE ACADEMY)

2. Presentations were made by the staff and pupils from Grange Academy, Ochiltree Primary School and Woodstock School on the work done in achieving the Motorola National Award for Excellence in Education for Work and Enterprise.

The Chair, on behalf of the Committee, thanked the teachers and pupils for their respective presentations, expressed his appreciation for all schools who had entered the competition and congratulated the winning schools on their achievement.

FIRE CADET SCHEME: VIDEO PRESENTATION BY THE ASSISTANT FIREMASTER, PHIL ROBINSON AND ASSISTANT DIVISIONAL OFFICER, JOHN MILLIGAN, STRATHCLYDE FIRE BRIGADE

2. A video presentation and report was given by Assistant Fire Master Phil Robinson and Assistant Divisional Officer, John Milligan on the introduction of a Fire Cadet Scheme within East Ayrshire.

The aim of the Scheme is to create a partnership with the youth of the communities. There will, hopefully, be four Fire Cadet Schemes established throughout the East Ayrshire area with a Pilot Scheme commencing at Kilwinning within the next three weeks.

Councillors Linton, Knapp and Provost Boyd left the meeting during the above presentation.

The Chair, on behalf of the Committee, thanked Strathclyde Fire Brigade for their presentation.

EXAMINATION RESULTS ANALYSIS - NEW STANDARD TABLES AND CHARTS

3. There was submitted a report dated 5 October 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the introduction of an electronic based support package designed to allow schools to evaluate attainment and provide a deeper insight into the performance of subject departments as well as the school as a whole.

It was agreed to note the New Standard Tables and Charts of Examination Results in supporting schools in evaluation of attainment.

EDUCATION FOR CITIZENSHIP IN SCOTLAND - A PAPER FOR CONSULTATION AND DISCUSSION

4. There was submitted a report dated 11 October 2000 (circulated) by the Director of Educational and Social Services which advised of the publication by Learning and Teaching Scotland of a paper for discussion and consultation on Education for Citizenship in Scotland.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Educational and Social Services consult widely on the Education for Citizenship in Scotland Paper and to submit an authority response for Committee consideration in due course; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

The meeting terminated at 1130 hours.

AGENDA