

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL**EDUCATION COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 16 APRIL 1998 AT 1000 HOURS
IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD,
KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Councillors Tommy Farrell, Irene Reeves, Gordon Cree, Ronald Brailsford, Jane Darnbrough, Ann Hay, John Knapp, Daniel Coffey, George Turnbull, George Smith and Eric Jackson; Church Representative, John McHugh; Teacher Representative, Iain Harvey.

ATTENDING: David Montgomery, Chief Executive; John Mulgrew, Director of Education; Margaret Burnell, Senior Depute Director of Education; Sue Angus and Graham Short, Depute Directors of Education; Robin Gourlay, Depute Director of Commercial Operations; Frank Green, Principal Officer (Budgets); Kenneth McKinlay, Principal Quality Development Officer; Ken Hathaway, Principal Client Services; George Park, Employee Relations Manager; Anne Jackson, Principal Community Education Officer; Janie Allen, Principal Officer (Pre-Fives); Apryl Chalmers, Senior Solicitor; Bill Walkinshaw, Principal Administrative Officer; Anne Marie Carr, Administrative Officer and Julie Smillie, Secretary.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Gordon McCredie, Drew McIntyre, Douglas Reid, David Fulton, David Macrae, Kim Nicoll, David Sneller, Robert Taylor and Church Representative, William McConnell.

CHAIR: Councillor Tommy Farrell, Chair.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

1. In welcoming Members to the meeting of the Education Committee, the Chair highlighted some good news for the Education Service for the information of Committee Members.

(i) St Columba's Primary School, Kilmarnock

It was reported that St Columba's Primary School in Kilmarnock had been awarded the Investors in People Accreditation. This had been the first school in East Ayrshire to gain this status and it was hoped that many more would follow in their footsteps.

(ii) Stewarton Academy Senior Band

The Chair expressed his delight with the recent success of Stewarton Academy Senior Band which had won the gold medal for the third year in a row at the National Boosey and Hawkes Competition. It was noted that Stewarton had been only the second band ever to win this national gold award three times in a row and that it would be presented with a silver salver to mark this outstanding achievement.

(iii) Kilmarnock Academy - Centenary Celebrations

It was reported that a very successful open day had been held at Kilmarnock Academy recently to mark the start of its centenary year celebrations.

It was noted that a programme of events had been drawn up for 1998 and the Chair stated that he hoped, along with his Elected Member and Education colleagues to be able to enjoy some of the programmed events.

(iv) Doon Academy - Science Race 98

It was noted that a team of 20 pupils from Doon Academy had participated in the Science Race 98 Competition recently. Pupils had telephoned a special freephone number to hear 20 questions about science, technology and mathematics and had only fifteen minutes to find the answers and telephone back. Out of a total of 280 schools, Doon Academy had gone forward in the final 34 and had the second highest score in the UK.

(v) Schools Showcase - 27-29 May 1998

It was reported, due to the high number of schools wishing to perform a display of arts, music, dance or drama, the forthcoming Schools Showcase would now be held on three consecutive evenings - Wednesday 27, Thursday 28 and Friday 29 May within the Palace Theatre, Kilmarnock. It was hoped that Members of the Education Committee would be able to attend one of the evenings.

Councillor Reeves left the meeting at this point.

COMMITTEE AND SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

2. There were submitted and approved both as a correct record and in respect of the recommendations contained therein, the undernoted Committee and Sub-Committee Minutes (circulated) as detailed in Appendices I and II of these Minutes.
 - 2.1 **JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (TEACHERS) - 19 MARCH 1998 - Appendix I**
 - 2.2 **EDUCATION SUB-COMMITTEE - SPECIAL MEETING - 31 MARCH 1998 - Appendix II**

REPRESENTATION ON THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

3. There was submitted a report dated 24 March 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which advised of two vacancies (Church of Scotland representative and parent representative) which had recently arisen in connection with the representation on the Education Committee and outlined action to be taken to fill these vacancies.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Education write to William McConnell (Church of Scotland representative) thanking him for his contributions and commitment to the work of the Education Committee;
- (ii) that Rev John Patterson be appointed as a member of the Education Committee as the representative of the Church of Scotland;
- (iii) that the Director of Education express the Committee's appreciation of the contribution to the work of the Education Committee by the first Parent Representative on the Committee, Shelagh McKerrell; and
- (iv) that the Director of Education make the necessary arrangements to invite nominations from Parent Representatives on School Boards in East Ayrshire

who are not employed in the Education Service for election as the Parent Representative with full voting rights on the Education Committee.

Councillor Reeves re-joined the meeting during consideration of this item.

SCHOOL MEALS PROVISION IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS

4. There was submitted a report dated 23 March 1998 (circulated) by the Acting Director of Commercial Operations which advised of proposals to implement a new alternative system for the provision of school meals in Primary Schools named 'Primary Choice' which complemented the Council's Eating for Health Policy.

It was agreed to note the contents and the proposals contained within the report, which furthered the commitment detailed in the Action Plan - Eating for Health which had recently been approved by the Council.

EDUCATION CAPITAL PROGRAMME - 1998-2001

5. There was submitted a report dated 1 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which advised of the proposed Capital Programme for 1998-2001 for the Department of Education and which sought approval of the programme.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the capital allocation for the Education Department for the financial year 1998/99 be noted;
- (ii) that the additional resources which had been made available through the New Deal for Schools Initiative be noted and welcomed;
- (iii) that the proposals for the Capital Programme and New Deal Expenditure for 1998/99 be approved; and
- (iv) that the Director of Education continue to monitor closely the progress of the Capital Programme throughout the year, reporting progress periodically to the Education Committee.

Arising from a query from Councillor Smith regarding the progress to date in respect of the Traffic Management Scheme at Catrine Primary School, it was noted that the Director of Education would respond directly with the appropriate information.

Arising from a query from Councillor Coffey regarding the progress in respect of the amalgamation of Janitors' houses within the Council's housing stock, it was noted that the Director of Education would respond directly with the appropriate details.

RAISING EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS: PLANNING FOR PROGRESS

6. There was submitted a report dated 6 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which advised of action proposed by the Education Department to raise educational standards through financial support from New Deal for Schools Funding and the re-investment of revenue savings which had resulted from the schools rationalisation programme.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the proposals for progress to raise educational standards outlined in the report be approved;

- (ii) that the Director of Education proceed to implement the proposals detailed in the report in partnership with staff, pupils, parents/guardians and School Board representatives;
- (iii) that the Director of Education monitor progress and report to the Education Committee at appropriate intervals; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL'S CHILDREN'S SERVICE PLAN (Item 1, page 3178)

7. There was submitted a joint report dated 2 April 1998 (circulated) by the Directors of Education and of Social Work which advised of the progress which had been made in preparing the Children's Service Plan towards publication in April 1998.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the approval of the Children's Service Plan by the Special Policy and Resources Committee on 27 March 1998 be noted;
- (ii) that the proposal to use the Children's Service Plan as a basis for future policy development and provision within the Education Department be noted; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION 1998/99: SCOTTISH OFFICE EDUCATION AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT: FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS (Item 13, Page 2875)

8. There was submitted a report dated 1 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which advised of the funding arrangements for pre-school education for 1998/99 as defined by the Scottish Office.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the lead role given to Local Authorities and the arrangements for funding for Early Years provision proposed by the Scottish Office be welcomed;
- (ii) to note that the Scottish Office document had raised key issues in terms of the commissioning arrangements and the resource implications related to the proposed funding arrangements for Pre-School Education;
- (iii) that the Director of Education raise with the Scottish Office those issues of concern detailed in the report regarding the funding arrangements for pre-school education for 1998/99;
- (iv) that the Director of Education submit a further report outlining partnership/commissioning arrangements and the expansion of extended daycare facilities; and
- (v) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

It was noted that in relation to paragraph 5.1 of the report, the short-fall in places should have read 68 and not 63.

NURSERY SCHOOL AND CLASS SESSIONS: CHANGES OF HOURS OF ATTENDANCE OF CHILDREN (Item 7, Page 3253)

9. There was submitted a report dated 10 March 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which sought approval for a change in hours of nursery and nursery class services from August 1998.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the alteration to the length of teaching time of a nursery school and class session from 3 to 2.5 hours with 15 minutes added to the end and start of sessions, effective from August 1998 be approved; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

WORK EXPERIENCE: CONSULTATION PAPER - SCOTTISH OFFICE EDUCATION AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT SUBMISSION OF RESPONSE (Item 6, Page 3046)

10. There was submitted a report dated 2 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which advised of the response by the Education Department to the consultation paper, Work Experience, published by the Scottish Office Education and Industry Department.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Education submit the response detailed at Appendix I of the report to the Scottish Office Education and Industry Department;
- (ii) that the Director of Education submit a report to the next appropriate meeting of the Education Sub-Committee regarding the feasibility of establishing a partnership arrangement with the three Ayrshire Councils in conjunction with the Education Business Partnership through the Ayrshire Careers Partnership as a means of providing a co-ordinated mechanism for the Work Experience Initiative; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

REVIEW OF CORPORATE STRATEGY TARGETS (Item 8, Page 2708)

11. There was submitted a report dated 2 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which advised of the progress being made by the Education Department in the key areas of the Economic, Social, Equal Opportunities and Environmental strategies.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the contents of the report be approved as a record of the progress made by the Education Department in respect of the Council's four core strategies, viz:- Social, Economic, Environmental and Equal Opportunities;
- (ii) that the Director of Education communicate to all those involved in the delivery of the Education Service that the Education Committee had recognised the substantial contribution of staff in delivering the Council's core strategies;
- (iii) that the new targets for the Education Department detailed in paragraph 5 of the report be approved; and

- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

SETTING TARGETS: RAISING STANDARDS IN SCHOOLS

12. There was submitted a report dated 17 March 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which advised of the document 'Setting Targets - Raising Standards' which had been published by the Scottish Office Education and Industry Department in March 1998.

Members had been advised that a copy of the Scottish Office document had been made available for inspection in the Members' Lounge.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Education develop a strategy for implementation for setting targets in schools;
- (ii) that the establishment of two seconded posts for session 1998/99 be approved;
- (iii) that the Director of Education submit a further report on progress to the Education Committee in due course; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

PARENTS AS PARTNERS: RESPONSE BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO THE DISCUSSION PAPER ISSUED BY THE SCOTTISH OFFICE EDUCATION AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT (Item 7, Page 3046)

13. There was submitted a report dated 4 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which advised of the response which had been prepared by the Education Department to the discussion paper, Parents as Partners - Enhancing the Role of Parents in School Education which had been published recently by the Scottish Office Education and Industry Department.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Education submit the response detailed at Appendix I to the report to the Scottish Office Education and Industry Department subject to reviewing the phraseology contained in the answer to question 5; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

Councillor Brailsford left the meeting at this point.

SCHEME OF DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW FOR TEACHERS (Item 3, Page 2164)

14. There was submitted a report dated 3 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which advised of the Government's Scheme of Development and Review for Teachers and which sought approval to implement the model for East Ayrshire Council.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the guidelines on Staff Development and Review from the Scottish Office be welcomed;

- (ii) that the model for East Ayrshire Council detailed at Appendix I of the report for Staff Development and Review be approved for implementation;
- (iii) that the Director of Education respond to the Scottish Office by the end of May 1998 and submit the model for East Ayrshire Council for Staff Development and Review as requested by the Scottish Office; and
- (iv) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

HIGHER SCHOOL AND FURTHER EDUCATION BURSARIES

15. There was submitted a report dated 3 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which sought approval for the proposed allowances and contribution scales in respect of Higher School and Further Education Bursaries for 1998/99.

Councillor Farrell, seconded by Councillor Cree moved:-

- (i) that the allowances and contribution scales for 1998/99 in respect of Higher School and Further Education Bursaries be maintained at the current rate as detailed in paragraph 4 of the report;
- (ii) to recommend that the absence threshold detailed in the present policy be reduced from 20% to 10%; and
- (iii) that students be eligible to apply for an additional grant of up to £50 in respect of specialist equipment and materials.

Councillor Coffey, seconded by Councillor Hay moved as an amendment to recommend that the absence threshold detailed in the present policy be maintained at 20%

On a division by a show of hands the motion was carried by 9 votes to 2.

Councillor Brailsford re-joined the meeting during discussion of the above item.

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE SCOTTISH ARTS COUNCIL A "LINKS" POST

16. There was submitted a report dated 24 March 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which invited the Education Committee to consider an offer from the Scottish Arts Council to part-fund a proposed *Links* post in East Ayrshire to strengthen the development of the arts in the Education Service.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the post of Links Officer in the Arts and Education be established in partnership with the Scottish Arts Council;
- (ii) that the Director of Education, make the necessary arrangements to advertise the vacancy and make the appointment in partnership with the Scottish Arts Council;
- (iii) that the Director of Education make the necessary arrangements to monitor the contribution of the jointly funded Links Officer, reporting to the Education Committee on progress;
- (iv) that, following appointment, the Officer progress significant bids for National Scottish Arts Council funding and Lottery funding in support of initiatives in the arts in East Ayrshire;

- (v) that the principal focus of the work of the Links Officer be in support of schools and individual pupils living in areas of social deprivation; and
- (vi) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

IMPROVING READING AT THE EARLY STAGES OF 5-14

17. There was submitted a report dated 24 March 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which advised of the contents of a report on early reading recently issued by Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the contents of the report on early reading as representing a sound basis for establishments to review their provision in reading be approved;
- (ii) that the Director of Education write to all Primary Schools highlighting the importance of the report in assisting the development of provision; and
- (iii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

EARLY IDENTIFICATION AND INTERVENTION

18. There was submitted a report dated 2 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which advised of the progress regarding the Early Intervention Programme and proposals to extend the programme.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the Director of Education be authorised to proceed with the proposal for expansion of the Early Intervention Programme as detailed in paragraph 4 of the report; and
- (ii) otherwise, to note the contents of the report.

DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PCs

19. There was submitted a joint report dated 8 April 1998 (circulated) by the Directors of Education and of Support Services which advised of proposals to offer surplus PC equipment for use in schools which would complement the developing ICT Strategy within the Education Service.

It was agreed:-

- (i) that the procedures for the disposal of surplus PCs to the Education Department as detailed in paragraph 3 of the report be approved; and
- (ii) that the Director of Education monitor the implementation of the initiative and report on progress to the Education Committee in due course.

VOLUNTARY SECTOR GRANTS 1998/99

20. There was submitted a report dated 1 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which recommended awards in respect of Education Voluntary Sector Grants for 1998/99.

It was agreed:-

(i) that the following grant awards be made:-

Name of Organisation	Grant Award 1998/99
BASICS	£42,061
Scottish Community Education Council	£1,012
Culzean Country Park	£100 (for use in the Education Room)
Outdoor Opportunities	£2,000 (towards programme and running costs only)
Ayrshire Schools Football Association	£500
Workers Educational Association	£7,000 (conditional on support from other authorities)
West of Scotland Playscheme Advisory Forum	£6,270
Caledonian Award	£500
Scottish Council for Educational Technology	£770
Scottish Opera for All	£290
National Youth Orchestra for Scotland	£100
Youth Link Scotland	£150
Scottish Council for Research and Education	£1,221
Kilmarnock Concert Brass Band	£500
LEAD Scotland	£960
Dyslexia Scotwest	£100
Onthank Out-of-School Care	£27,390
National Youth Choir of Scotland	£200
Bellfield Out-of-School Care	£1,200
Avonlea Management Committee	£5,700
Childcare Support to Adult Education - East Ayrshire South	£8,000
Childcare Support Adult Education - East Ayrshire North	£6,000

Councillor Farrell declared a non-pecuniary interest in terms of the National Code of Local Government Conduct in respect of the applications submitted by the Scottish Council for Research and Education and LEAD Scotland.

(ii) that no grant awards be made in respect of the following:-

Name of Organisation

Centre for Studies on Inclusive Education

Theatre Replico

- (iii) that consideration of the undernoted organisations' application for financial assistance for Voluntary Sector Grant for 1998/99 be continued to the next meeting of the Education Sub-Committee on 14 May 1998:-

Name of Organisation

One Plus

Scottish Childminding Association

Scottish Early Years Forum for the Voluntary Sector

Scottish Pre-School Association

Doon Valley Link-Up Group

Happy Hens

Nether Robertland Playgroup and Creche

West Park Squirrel Club/Playgroup

West Park Rascals

St Ninian's Pre-School Playgroup

Noah's Ark Creche

Playaway Creche

In relation to the geographical area for St Ninian's Pre-School Playgroup, it was noted that the area should have read Kilmarnock South and not Kilmarnock Central; and

- (iv) that the Director of Education monitor the effectiveness of the deployment of remaining Voluntary Sector Grants and report to a future meeting of this Committee.

CONSULTATION DOCUMENT**21.1 PATNA PRIMARY SCHOOL: PROPOSED CREATION OF A SPECIALIST FACILITY FOR PUPILS WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS (SEN) IN THE SURPLUS CAPACITY OF THE PATNA PRIMARY SCHOOL BUILDING**

There was submitted a report dated 6 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which proposed to issue a consultation document regarding a proposal to create a specialist facility for pupils with special educational needs.

Councillor Farrell, seconded by Councillor Cree moved:-

- (i) that a facility for special educational needs children be established within the building occupied by Patna Primary School;
- (ii) that the facility be managed by the Head Teacher of Patna Primary School;
- (iii) that the facility make provision for primary age and pre-school children;

- (iv) that the facility be established at the start of session 1998/99, or as soon as possible thereafter, depending on the completion of the necessary adaptation works;
- (v) that the report be issued as a consultative document and made available to all interested parties;
- (vi) that all interested parties, including the relevant School Board be invited to make written representation on the proposals to John Mulgrew, Director of Education, Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock no later than Friday 22 May 1998; and
- (vii) that the Director of Education submit a report on the results of the consultative process for consideration at a future meeting of the Education Committee.

Councillor Coffey, seconded by Councillor Brailsford moved as an amendment the proposals detailed above with the exception of the following change:- "that the deadline for the submission of comments on the proposals be extended to take-in two Committee cycles".

On a division by a show of hands, the motion was carried by 8 votes to 3.

21.2 CROSSHOUSE PRIMARY SCHOOL, PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A FACILITY AT CROSSHOUSE PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR PRIMARY AGED CHILDREN WITH SEVERE COMMUNICATION DISORDERS

There was submitted a report dated 8 April 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which proposed to issue a consultation document regarding a proposal to establish a facility for children with severe communication disorders.

Councillor Farrell, seconded by Councillor Cree moved:-

- (i) that a facility for pupils with severe communication disorders be established in Crosshouse Primary School;
- (ii) that the facility be established for children at the start of session 1998/99, or as soon as possible thereafter, depending on the completion of any necessary adaptation works;
- (iii) that this report be issued as a consultative document and made available to all interested parties;
- (iv) that all interested parties, including the relevant School Boards be invited to make written representation on the proposal to John Mulgrew, Director of Education, Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock KA3 7BU no later than Friday 22 May 1998; and
- (v) that the Director of Education submit a report on the results of the consultation process for consideration at a future meeting of the Education Committee.

Councillor Coffey, seconded by Councillor Brailsford moved as an amendment the proposals detailed above with the exception of the following change:- "that the deadline for the submission of comments on the proposals be extended to take-in two Committee cycles".

On a division by a show of hands the motion was carried by 8 votes to 3.

21.3 WESTPARK SCHOOL/SILVERWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOLS: PROPOSED CLOSURE OF WESTPARK SCHOOL, CROSSHOUSE AS A SPECIAL SCHOOL AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A BASE FOR HEARING IMPAIRED PUPILS AT SILVERWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL, KILMARNOCK

There was submitted a report dated 31 March 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education which proposed to issue a consultation document regarding a proposal to establish a base for hearing impaired pupils at Silverwood Primary School.

It was noted (i) in relation to paragraph 7.1 of the report that a nursery school had been established and (ii) that only the Special School provision within the West Park buildings had been proposed for closure.

Councillor Farrell, seconded by Councillor Cree moved:-

- (i) that West Park School be closed as a special school on 26 June 1998 or as soon as possible thereafter;
- (ii) to note that a base would be established at Silverwood Primary School, Kilmarnock which would be operational from the start of session 1998/99 or as soon as possible thereafter depending on the completion of the necessary adaptation work;
- (iii) that the report be issued as a consultative document and made available to all interested parties;
- (iv) that all interested parties, including the relevant School Boards be invited to make written representation on the proposals to John Mulgrew, Director of Education, Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock KA3 7BU, no later than Friday 22 May 1998; and
- (v) that the Director of Education submit a report on the result of the consultative process for consideration at a future meeting of the Education Committee.

Councillor Coffey, seconded by Councillor Brailsford moved as an amendment the proposals detailed above with the exception of the following change:- "that the deadline for the submission of comments on the proposals be extended to take-in two Committee cycles".

On a division by a show of hands, the motion was carried by 8 votes to 3.

21.4 PROPOSED CLOSURE OF CUMNOCK NURSERY SCHOOL AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NURSERY CLASSES IN BARSHARE PRIMARY AND GREENMILL PRIMARY SCHOOLS, CUMNOCK (Item 16.5, Page 2878)

There was submitted a report dated 13 March 1998 (circulated) by the Director of Education regarding a proposal and which recommended accordingly for the closure of Cumnock Nursery School and the establishment of nursery classes in Barshare and Greenmill Primary Schools, Cumnock.

Councillor Farrell, seconded by Councillor Cree moved:-

- (i) that the report be issued as a consultative document and made available to all interested parties;
- (ii) that all interested parties, including the relevant School Boards be invited to make written representation on the proposals to John Mulgrew, Director of Education, Council Headquarters, London Road, Kilmarnock KA3 7BU, no later than Friday 22 May 1998; and

- (iii) that the Director of Education submit a report on the result of the consultative process for consideration at the Education Committee on 28 May 1998.

Councillor Coffey, seconded by Councillor Brailsford moved as an amendment:-

- (i) that the report be issued as a consultative document and made available to all interested parties;
- (ii) that the deadline for the submission of comments on the proposals be extended to take-in two Committee cycles; and
- (iii) that the Director of Education submit a report on the result of the consultative process for consideration at a future meeting of the Education Committee.

On a division by a show of hands the motion was carried by 8 votes to 3.

The meeting terminated at 1220 hours.