

Treasurer's report for Year ending 30 July 2010

Income

School Councils received funds from the City of Edinburgh to support their work with parents and wider community. At James Gillespie's HS the School Council received £872.60 for session 2009/10. Unused Clerk Fees of £300 were reclaimed from the City of Edinburgh.

The events group generated additional funds through various meetings organised throughout the year. As well as providing Tea/Coffee at each of the parent consultation sessions, the group organised the following special events:

Sports Night (10.09.09), Carol Concerts (16 & 17.12.09), Burns' Night (30.01.10), Spring Fling (31.03.10) and Diverscity (18.06.10).

These gatherings are not set out to be 'fund raising events', but a profit was made on each occasion with quite a sizeable surplus of around £1400.00 generated over the course of the year. As in previous sessions, the Events Group invited school staff to submit 'bids' for those funds. The *Small Sums Fund* is used to support *extra* resources and activities to support and enhance the pupils' experiences in the school. The Events Group discussed each and every bid that was submitted before deciding on the allocations detailed below. It is worth noting that there were fewer bids received this session – and this was even after extending the deadline. There are still funds available to be allocated if suitable bids are submitted when a further invitation is extended to staff.

Expenditure

The School Council treasurer's account reflects the activity from two sub-groups – Communication and Events.

Communication with parents continues to be a key role for the School Council with a number of hard copy newsletters delivered to parents either by school bag drop or post. These newsletters complement the regular email communications that have no 'cost' but the School Council does not have a full coverage of emails for that medium to be used more fully. The school bears the cost of communications to non-resident parents.

In summary, photocopying and postage for these communications to parents and for the AGM paperwork amounted to ~£370, which was considerably less than the previous year (£930).

A new expenditure this session for the events group was for an alcohol licence for each event that there was beer or wine for sale (or donation).

Projection to current year 2010/11

The City of Edinburgh has reduced the funds allocated to School Councils. In James Gillespie's HS this means we have an operating fund of £859.75 for session 2010/11 plus a maximum of £240 that could be reclaimed in lieu of Clerk's Fees. Communication costs are budgeted on the basis of £90 per distribution of Newsletter/ Notification of Meetings/ Advertising events (5 planned); and the AGM mailing is budgeted at £350. This will account for £800 from our allocation of £1099.75, assuming we recoup the

Clerk's fees of £250. The following projects will be supported through the Small Sums Fund (cheques still to be issued)

First	Name	Department	Project	Allocation
Stephen	Corson	CDT	20 x A3 Portable Drawing Boards	£400.00
Ryan	Irvine	Modern Languages (German)	External Hard Drivesx 5	£250.00
Anne	Inglis	Library	Magazines	£200.00
Vicky	Hunter	Support for Learning	Lunch Club support (stationery+...)	£150.00
David	Adam	CDT	Hot Wire cutter	£100.00
Hamish		Biology/Whole School	Plants	£100.00
Jeff	Warden	Guidance	Seasons for Growth - Journal subscription (10@£9) + incidentals	£100.00

Statement of Funds for JGHS Parent Council (Year ended 31 July 2010)

<u>Previous Year (£)</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Funds (£)</u>	(£)
3791.70	Cash in Bank	3878.45	
0.00	Cash in Hand	0.00	
3791.70	Total		3878.45
<u>Previous Year (£)</u>	<u>Liabilities</u>	<u>Funds (£)</u>	(£)
2430.00	Committed funds	0.00	
2430.00	Total Liabilities		0.00
1361.70	Net Assets		3878.45
<u>Previous Year (£)</u>	<u>Represented by:</u>	<u>Funds (£)</u>	(£)
1678.43	Balance at Beginning of Year	3791.70	
1463.27	Add: excess of income over expenditure	2299.54	
2430.00	Carried forward to following year	0.00	
-1780.00	Adjustment from 2008-09	-	
3791.70	Balance at End of Year	2212.79	3878.45