

## **Minutes of the Uniform Review Committee August 3, 2017**

Present: Lisa Zandbergen, Nikki McAven, Mark Richardson, Mark Peters, Andrew Henderson

This meeting reviewed previous decisions and made modifications where it seemed appropriate.

### **Discussion and decisions:**

Do we keep the tartan?

**Discussion:** There is a rationale to change from our current unique tartan to an off the rack more accessible and price conscious material. Such a change could allow the ability to buy from a website or shop of manufacturer as well as school uniform shop. This would introduce a price competition.

**Previous decision:** view samples of options that allow our red and black to be retained as a theme in some way. Samples to be available for next meeting and for further discussion.

Style option choices should include: scort, culottes, pinafore, skirt with consideration for easy care/easy wash.

**August discussion:** no change

Do we keep red and black?

**Initial decision:** keep the red and black theme which means any changed tartan must complement this theme.

**August discussion:** no change

Do we maintain the distinction between primary and middle in terms of formality?

**Discussion;** Every indication is that this should be maintained. No discussion – further discussion needed.

**Decision:** we will maintain a primary and middle school uniform with clear demarcation and more formality in the middle years.

**August discussion:** affirmed this separation of uniform between primary and middle schools.

### **New Discussion / Decisions**

#### **Monogramme**

Do we monogram all key aspects of the uniform (shirt, jersey, cardigan, polar fleece etc). If so, with what? Is the current shield appropriate for the uniform?

**Discussion:** Current monogramme may not be suitable for uniform. Graphic artist commissioned to explore concept designs for an appropriate uniform monogramme. Suggested that monogramme be applied to: jersey, PE, middle school shirt.

**August Suggested Decision:**

Monogramme on Blazer (current shield), monogramme jersey, (current shield monogramme), monogramme on jacket new name monogramme, monogramme PE uniform with new name monogramme.  
No monogramme on shirts, shorts, trousers.

## **Jersey**

**Discussion;** Anecdotally there is dissatisfaction with the school jersey. Weight, cost and generally 'itchy' to wear. Samples of school merino jerseys viewed. These appear good quality well priced and potentially more comfortable to wear.

### **August Decision:**

**Primary:** Agreed merino jersey option for primary uniform. No cardigan at year 1 to 6 – jersey only.

### **Middle School:**

**Blazer:** There is no strong argument to have a blazer at year 7/8. However, ACS could introduce a blazer at year 9/10 only – compulsory.

**Polar fleece:** Optional year 1 to 4. Not a year 5 upward option.

**Sports Jacket:** introduce a multi-use jacket suitable for sport, to and from school and outside generally. Jacket should be warm, shower proof, wind proof, fleece lined possibly. Introduce from year 1 to year 10. Optional year 1 to 4, compulsory from year 5 to 10.

**Jersey:** Cardigan introduced at year 7 - 10. Jersey compulsory year 7 to 10. The style of jersey is still to be determined.

## **PE Uniform**

**Discussion:** Agreed current PE uniform needs revamping. Samples and ideas viewed. A preference for fabric and jacket style indicated.

**No further discussion on June Decision:** Two different suggested PE uniform options to be presented at next meeting for discussion. PE uniform, track suit, staff jackets and sports uniform concept to be explored.

### **Still to discuss and determine.**

What quality/price point are we aiming at?

How defined do we want to make the uniform?

Who will supply the uniform?

A further question that must be debated is; do we offer an 'anyone' uniform option at the different levels?

**Next meeting;** early September