# **Student Council Minutes**

14/10/19 12.25pm – 1.05pm Conference room

Meeting called by: Mr. D. Blackledge Type of meeting: General council meeting

Facilitator: Mr. Blackledge Note taker: Mr. D. Blackledge

Timekeeper: Mr. Blackledge

Attendees: Brain Byrne (Mellors), Mr .D. Blackledge (SLT lead) Year 11 council members.

Please read: N/A
Please bring: N/A

## **Minutes**

**Agenda item:** Canteen survey results **Presenter:** Mr. D. Blackledge

#### **Discussion:**

The year 11 student council representatives, met with Brian Byrne (Mellor's Catering Services) to discuss the findings of the catering survey. In total, 97 students across all year groups were sampled as part of a survey to look at the current opinion on the catering services provided to students at the Academy. This has arisen from the number of complaints received from students via previous student council meetings.

#### **Conclusions:**

- There is a need for set menu to be created and promoted each day of the week.
- There was acknowledgement by Brain that the survey findings has raised issues of a demand for more food to be produced as students generally felt more quantity was required as well as variety of food available throughout the service.
- The food provided is nutritionally balanced as this is a food requirement of Mellors. There is a responsibility also on students making the right choices when selecting their meals.
- 10% of the profits made were from baked goods. This is a high volume and needs to be looked at further by Brian and his team. In the same instance, 12% comes from the sales of water so students can also make good choices.
- Brain highlighted students can 'pre-order' sandwiches or any other items. This could help with the issues that students have encountered i.e. lack of selection etc.
- There is currently issues with pre-ordering food as students on free school meals are unable to currently pre-order at break.

- There was questions raised regarding the number of pasta dishes served not only at the designated pasta station but at the same time, on the main service area. Brain acknowledged there was no need for 'doubling up'.
- Brain introduced to the council 'grab bags' in which pre-ordered meals can be picked up at lunch time. This could reduce issues currently regarding students not receiving what they would like/any food at all.
- The council highlighted the positive comments regarding the positive relationships pupil have with the catering staff. This was seen as an improvement and not the cause for the issues raised.

| Action items |   | Person responsible                            | Deadline |
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| ✓            | Brain to meet with Rose to design new menu to start after half term                                 | Brain & Rose                                  | Nov 2019 |
| ✓            | Brain to meet with Tom regarding students with allergens  | Brain, Mr. Blackledge and Tom Y               | Dec 2019 |
| ✓            | Rose and Mr. Blackledge to promote the grab bags/pre-order offers when this is ready to be launched | Brain, Rose, Catering team and Mr. Blackledge | Nov 2019 |

### Other Information

| Observers:   |  |  |
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| N/A  |  |  |
| Resources:   |  |  |
| N/A  |  |  |
| Special notes:   |  |  |
| New meeting schedule – Thursday every fortnight (To be calendared) |  |  |