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Primary School PTFA

## PTFA Meeting Minutes

<b>Date / time:</b>	September 21 2016 7.00pm – 9.30pm
<b>Location:</b>	School
<b>Objectives:</b>	AGM
<b>Present:</b>	Nicola Whitelock-Wainwright, Liz Moulton, Beverley Taylor, Liz Toombs, Lucy Powers, Onnie Powers, Kate Querelle, Mary Ankers, Karen Lindley, Hayley Martin, Viv Couche, Matt Hover, Naomi and Martin McDonald, AJ Griffiths, Jenny Sheppard, Sarah Peters
<b>Apologies:</b>	Katie Riches, Sally Halliwell, Gianna Loparco, Lisa Cleaver, Claire Brennan, Sally Whelan

### Agenda:

1. Welcome
2. Minutes of last AGM
3. Chairperson's report
4. Treasurer's report
5. Candidates for chair, deputy chair, secretary, treasurer
6. Forthcoming events
7. Date for next meeting
8. AOB

### Points of discussion:

1. **Welcome**  
Bev welcomed new faces and members list circulated.
2. **Minutes of last AGM**  
Approved.

### 3. Chairperson's report

Bev presented the new PTFA logo that was designed by Year 3's Sophie Brennan. Really good set of entrants but felt this captured the ethos of the school.

Talked about successful year.

Disappointed with Xmas Fair, learned some valuable lessons about having our own cake stall and running raffle ahead of event.

Successful events included Halloween disco, Film nights, Hey Day and Chocolate bingo. Bev talked about Lisa Cleaver doing great job for auction and also how vital that we had more volunteers.

Bev said money from PTFA is vital for school. Last year focus on teaching aids, we bought class set of iPads plus charging station. Mr Hover said used every day. New PA system for Hey Day which shared with ASHRA – more bang for buck.

PTFA bought one interactive white board which allows 10 pupils to touch it at any one time, teaching app called Purple Mash and Maths of the day, book bags for reception, gifts for Year 6 leavers and miscellaneous requests from teachers.

Wish list for future is:

**Pond renovation** – Liz M to check with Tracey Snell on progress for pond. Talk about talking to local councillors and companies for cash for the pond. Liz M to draft a letter for local firms.

#### **Musical instruments**

**Other suggestions** for this year include:

- Identify reps from each year to contact people for events
- Encourage more parents to sign up to PTFA group on Facebook and school FB page
- Start a 100 club to encourage parents who can't give up their time to give up their cash!
- Lucy P talked about companies sponsoring new equipment, such as football kit. Matt H to generate list of items that could possibly be sponsored.

- Also, Lucy talked about Hygge, Scandanavian concept which fosters better empathy, understanding, emotional intelligence in children who find it hard to learn social skills and how the PTFA could support this.
- Martin MacDonald asked whether we could talk to Chester Uni about conducting a piece of research into this. Nic WW to talk to her contact to see if we can get anyone in.
- Nic talked about pushing supermarket vouchers more and Easyfundraising

#### **4. Treasurer's report**

Bev said money was down on 2014/15, partly because of very successful dog show which made over £1,000.

We have in bank £7,882.76, less around £3,000 which will be spent on interactive white board.

Nine events raised a total of £5,791.26 – down around £1,400 on previous year.

Total expenditure was around £7,035.93.

#### **5. Candidates for chair etc**

Bev, Liz M and Lucy P elected as chair, secretary, treasurer, respectively.

#### **6. Events for autumn term**

Quiz night – Thursday October 13. Donna Fraser possibly to do food, Liz M to call.

Naomi to do poster for Quiz Night and Halloween.

Halloween disco – Thursday October 27

Bev to book Geoff the DJ for Halloween disco

Film night - Friday Nov 18 to coincide with Children in Need

Christmas Fair – Sunday December 11 (3-6pm) possibly in village hall – Nic talked about possible clash of dates with ballet exams if had it on Dec 4 in village hall.

Christmas cards – order deadline Sun October 23

Bags 2 School – Thursday Nov 10

## **7. Date for next meeting:**

Next PTFA meeting set for 7.30pm on October 4 at Goshawk and Thursday October 6 at 3.15pm at school

## **8. AOB:**

Discussion about needing to shout more about how much we raise and what we spend PTFA funds on. Mary Ankers suggested advertising at parent's evening, Bev said she would put something together.

Discussion about new events, such as fun runs, car boot sales in spring, jumble sales.

Nic WW talked about evening meetings and daytime meetings - she said she would be happy to host day meetings after school.

Discussion and nominations for class reps:

Kestrel – Naomi McDonald and AJ Griffiths

Owl – Karen L and Mary Ankers

Sparrowhawk – Jenny Sheppard and Kate Querelle

Peregrine – Nic WW and Liz Toombs, plus Lucy Powers and Viv Couche

Buzzard – Liz M to put message out about years 5/6 representatives

## **Summary of Action Items**

<b>What</b>	<b>Who</b>
Pond: Liz M to check with Tracey Snell on progress for pond. Liz M to draft a letter for local firms and local councillors for cash for the pond.	Liz M Liz M
Matt H to generate list of items that could possibly be sponsored by local firms, eg footie kit.	Matt H
Nic WW to talk to her contact @ Chester Uni to see if we can get anyone in to do research on helping boost kids emotional intelligence.	Nic WW
<b>Events for Autumn term</b>	
Donna Fraser possibly to do food for Quiz night, Liz M to call.	Liz M
Naomi M to do poster for Quiz Night and Halloween.	Naomi
Bev to book Geoff the DJ for Halloween disco	Bev T
Bev to put something together info about what the PTFA has raised and what we've spent money on for parent's evening	Bev T
Liz M to put message out about years 5/6 class representatives	Liz M