



Minutes

Monday 11th January 2016

School Library at 6.30pm

1. Present:

Jo McLean, Jane Long, Ginny Jones, Gaynor Millar, Dave Long, Angela Hinson, Chris Meakin

2. Apologies:

None

3. Treasurer's Report:

We have insured with PTA UK as they were both the cheapest and will offer advice and access to risk assessment documents if we need them.

4. School Uniform

We raised £130 at the St Martin's school fete and a further £67.55 since September.

We discussed where we should sell in the summer and will look into the dates of school fetes at Stivichall, Finham and Manor Park before making a decision.

FP2 PTA have gone very quiet since their inaugural meeting. JL will find out if they are still going and offer our stock for them to run their own uniform sale nearer the Land Registry site, with them keeping any profit. If they are not able to, we will consider contacting a feeder school in the area to run one, with us keeping the profit.

5. Funding request

We have received a request from the drama department for help funding the cost of scenery for the upcoming production of Bugsy Malone. The scenery could not be re-used for future

productions. It was felt to be disappointing that the art department at the school had not been involved and we felt that we would be happy to pay for art materials and possibly an expert to come in to help our own students create the scenery for future productions. We decided to offer up to £300 towards the cost of printing the programmes in return for a full page advert for FoF and having a stall in the foyer prior to each night. We would be happy to run a raffle at the same time to raise further funds to be split 50/50 between FoF and the production. We will suggest that they involve us from the beginning of planning the next production as we may be able to help in other ways, including persuading experts to help.

6. Foreign Coin Collection

We decided to run this to raise funds for a marquee to use at sports day and other outdoor event. We will run this on Friday 26th February, the first Friday after half term and members of FoF will be in reception from 8.30-9.00am to collect any contributions. We will ask Emma if any late contributions could be collected at the Finance Office.

7. Non-Uniform Day

Mark Bailie and Viv Maginnis agreed that we could have a non-uniform day this term. We will suggest 23rd April as a Best of British type theme – St George's day/Shakespeare's birthday, or the last day before Easter. JM will contact VM.

8. Fundraising

We decided to run a bingo and curry evening at the Green Lane Social Club instead of a quiz this term. JL will contact the Club to see if we can rent the room for free as the bar takings are high, and also the new Indian Restaurant, Ginger Orange, on Kenpass Highway to see if they could provide the food. JM will contact Stivichall PTA to see if we could use their Bingo programme in return for a contribution towards their funds, and see if Mr Bainbridge might be happy to be the caller.

It was decided it was too soon to organise the pamper evening for Mothers Day, but will look into the idea of a summer event using the new marquee for cream teas.

9. Dragons Den

JM will prepare posters and application forms and send to staff with a deadline of half term for nominations. We agreed to have £1000 available again this year. VM will be invited to attend the presentations, but we will not make any decisions there and then – proposals will be run past the full meeting in March.

10. Star Studded Evening

JL will contact Foorkan to get the ball rolling for nominations for our sponsored Volunteering in the Community Award. JM will draft a letter to the school outlining our concerns about how the awards are distributed as it appears only a select number of favourite students receive multiple awards year after year and the Evening is seen by many students and parents as elitist.

11. Memorial Garden

This remains in a poor state after the contractors hacked it back in the autumn. The offer by JM and JL to go in regularly to tend it properly still stands. JL will contact Sean's tutor to discuss it. It was suggested that this might be a suitable activity for the volunteering part of the Duke of Edinburgh award so we might be able to get the students involved.

12. Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Monday 22nd February at The Burnt Post at 6.30pm.