



Minutes from AGM - Wednesday 12th October

Attendees:

Jess Watson, Di Marsh, Georgia Cooke, Jane Stagg, Dan Keates, Matthew Norcott, Emma D'Aubyn and Becca Nelson & Hannah Pearson

Introduction

- Jess welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained the format of the evening. Introduction to the PTA and everyone introduced themselves.
- Explained who was on the committee and confirmed Sarah Hickson has resigned from her post on grant funding.
- Told everyone which vacancies there were on the committee and what we needed.
- Went through the aims of the PTA and how we're looking forward to more events this year.

Finances

- Georgia went through the finances from the last year - outgoings and incomings.
- She gave a detailed breakdown of both our income and expenditure and listed everything we have bought and provided for the school to date.
- We currently have approximately £7000 in the PTA bank account.
- We decided we wanted to keep £1000 as a fund to help provide resources for any upcoming events.
- We have decided to give £100 to each class for the teacher to spend on whatever they think will help to enhance the education of their particular class.
- We also discussed writing a letter to the school council and donating money to the students to spend on something they think would benefit the school as a whole.

Voting

- Jane Stagg nominated Jess Watson for Chair - this was seconded by Di Marsh.
- Jess Watson nominated Di Marsh as Secretary - this was seconded by Dan Keates.
- Jess Watson nominated Georgia Cooke for Treasurer - this was seconded by Dan Keates.
- We also discussed the other roles that would be useful to have on the committee: Events Coordinator and Bids & Grants.

- Emma D'Aubyn expressed interest in taking on Grants and Bids with another - potentially Heather Lowe. There are 2 other grants helpers who need to be contacted to check if they are still happy to help so we have an increased team and shared responsibility to cover more ground in securing additional funding.

Future Plans

- It has been agreed that the PTA will give £100 to each class for the teacher(s) to spend on whatever they like - Dan Keates has volunteered to inform all members of staff at school of this decision. Teachers can make orders via Georgia Cooke - try to use Amazon Smile linked to the school account.
- Upcoming events: Pumpkin trail (also includes cake sale and second-hand uniform) Movie Night, Santa's Grotto.

What we need

- People - lots of volunteers committed to helping out.
- Any ideas of how to get more parents helping out and involved?
- Talked about using Class Dojo to help promote events and ask for help from parents, but need to be mindful of overkill
- Teachers can all post in their own class and year groups.
- Head/Deputy can post on all year groups.
- Discussed giving specific events to year groups/classes to help get parents more involved.

List

- Need volunteers for Grotto, Movie Nights
- Santa for the Grotto
- Christmas Fair
- Shed painting/sorting team

Action Points

- Write a letter to the school council asking for their ideas of how to spend money to help benefit the students.
- Mr Randall runs the school council - Jess to write the letter and send it to Di to format and then send to school.
- Discussion of a Christmas Trail - potentially ask Lucy Giffin to organise?
- Put Amazon Smile and instructions on Class Dojo.
- Jane Stagg suggested a return to 'Wake Up, Shake Up' in the mornings - need to look into sound equipment to play music.
- Jane Stagg also suggested that year 6 are given more responsibility - helping out with events, running stalls, tuck shop etc.