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PTA Beechwood AGM minutes 16/9/19

"Together We Can Achieve"

Attendees: Kelly Campbell, Kirsty Ap-Carreg, Amy Moreton, Alison Unsworth , Mrs Kidd, Mrs Snell, Mrs Woodcock, Mrs Horan

Apologies: Karen McIntyre, Emma Illing, Michelle Lane

Financial summary 2018/2019 (academic year).

Funds raised in the last academic year totalled £7158.82. There is one invoice outstanding but outgoings before that come to £6703.18. The bank balance currently stands at £6340.77 and this is a strong position to start the year in as it will enable us to be able to spend prior to raising funds. Looking at the different events from last year 'The Summer Fayre', 'Sleep over' and 'Discos' were the most successful.

Roles and Nominations

There were no new nominations for roles and no appetite to swap or stand down. The current roles will therefore remain unchanged.

-Chair Kelly Campbell/Michelle Lane

-Treasurer Kirsty Ap-Carreg

-Secretary Emma Illing/Karen McIntyre

Regular Fixtures (PTA dates for the diary agreed)

[•] Disco's – 4/10/19 and 3/7/20 - It was agreed that PTA money could be used to purchase some basic disco lights.

Sleepover – 31/1/20 – A price increase was discussed to bring the event in line with other schools flocally. It was agreed that the price would remain at £10 but that sponsorship could be an

alternative with a £10 minimum. A prize would be given for the pupil who raises the most sponsorship money.

Race Night (To discontinue)

Pamper Night – 29/11/19

Xmas bonanza - 13/12/19

Bingo - ? (TBC) This will be an Easter Bingo but we must ensure there is no clash with the Centre or the Nursery.

Summer Fayre – 13/6/20

Teatowel - artwork to be planned in readiness for Mothers day

Xmas cards - To be made in September. Volunteers needed to complete all artwork.

Dress down days: 11/10/19 (Bottles), 22/11/19 (Confectionary), 27/3/20 (Chocolate), 21/5/20 (Bottles) and 5/6/20 (Confectionary)

New Ideas

Family Quiz night - 19/5/20. This was agreed as a new event to trial this academic year. Xmas film night – this was suggested as a fundraiser to free the parents up for late night shopping but was dismissed due to the amount of fundraising in the run up to Xmas and the expense for families.

Spending

Mrs Kidd, Mrs Snell and Mrs Horan agreed that they would like to repeat the term of Drama Tuition that the PTA funded last year. It was also agreed that the visiting Author and the mobile Pantomime would be welcomed again in 2019/2020.

New ideas for projects to work towards were: Re- designing the playground aesthetically with new markings, a bouldering wall and a buddy bench. Also Mrs Kidd suggested that a theatre trip for KS1 and KS2 potentially separately would be a great use of money.

Kirsty Ap-Carreg mentioned the 'Local School Nature Grants' and Mrs Snell confirmed this was being applied for in school.

Mrs Unsworth asked about the possibility of using an app (parent pay or similar) to go cashless. Mrs Kidd confirmed that the cost of this is high. Kelly Campbell explained that this wouldn't be a cost that the PTA could subsidise as it isn't a direct benefit to the children.

Kelly Campbell suggested a pilot to bring free training to the school around 'Coding' as this is new to the curriculum.

Mrs Woodcock brought up the subject of using 'Easyfundraising' an app to use for purchases which rewards the charity. No commitment made as yet as to who would set this up.

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Date for the next meeting

💢 Friday 8/11/19

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