

MINUTES

Lymm High School PTA Meeting

Date: Monday 07 January 2019

Chair: Nicola Woodyatt (standing in for Helen Johnson)

Minutes: Kirsty Holden

In Attendance

Gwyn Williams (GW), Kirsty Holden (KH), Natalie McGillivray (NM), Sarah Coke (SC), Nicola Storey (NS), Jacqui Clarke (JC), Nicola Woodyatt (NW), Rigel Allan (RA), Kirsty James (KJ), Gwyn Williams (GW), Kerry Spink (KS), Kieran Walshe (KW)

Apologies

Cathy Warner (CW), Ruth Ball (RB), Emma Neal (EN), Liesl Hacker (LH), Sue O'Connor (SC), Melanie McVey (MM), Helen Johnson (HJ), Trudie Newhouse (TN), Sally Bircham (SB), Dyfed Bowen (DF), Sue O'Connor (SOC), Alison Hunt (AH), Antonia Mungai (AM), Ann Gorman Broughton (AB), Yvonne Bird (YB)

Welcome

NW welcomed everyone to the meeting

Minutes / Matters Arising

The minutes were read and accepted.

Reports

Head Teacher's Report:

1. The Santa Dash in December went well and raised £17-18,000. This means that the total raised is ~£75,000.
2. The work on the new changing rooms has been completed and the new gym floor has been installed.
3. The 3G pitch bid has been submitted and received. The bid will be reviewed for the next ~3 months. Planning permission has also been submitted for the bid.
4. Addition of a canopy in the McCorm's Yard is planned to provide additional seating for the canteen. This will be added in February/March 2019.
5. Upcoming events include the Sportsmans Dinner and Perfect Behaviour Fortnight.

Treasurer's Report:

1. Easyfundraising has raised £182 to the end of September (~£1600 raised per year).
2. £17,764.11 in bank at the moment.
3. Since August ~£300 has come through via mydonate.
4. The accounts have been finalised for the school year 2017-2018 and will be checked in February by an accountant.
5. Beaujolais night (see below)
6. Alternative signatories required for PTA account. JC and KH agreed to be signatories.

Action: NW to contact JC and KH with relevant forms to become signatories

Fundraising

Beaujolais night – 17th November 2018

- Raised £935.21 which was shared with the Twin Town Society = £467.61 for the PTA.

Lymm Ladies Lunch – June 2019

- JC happy to volunteer again, volunteers required to help.

Golf day

- HJ to contact organiser to ask about donation to PTA

Fundraising/bid writing committee

- This is a specific committee put together to look into sponsorship from local businesses, identifying available grants and bidding for them in addition to fundraising.
- There are 6 on the committee who meet every 2 weeks.
- Three tiers of fundraising:
 1. Corporate sponsorship is sought for the PitchIn campaign. The group have submitted 12 applications for corporate sponsorship and have heard back from 3 of these so far. The plan is to send out applications in batches. HJ received money that was used to train the sub-committee in writing successful grant/fundraising applications. This was deemed highly useful and helped the team with selecting grants to target.
 2. The team have since put together a list of targets including local funds such as supermarket funds in addition to money such as lottery funds.
 3. Traditional fundraising. May ball – see below

May Ball – 18 May 2019

NM is organising a ball to be held at the Hallmark Hotel (formerly Firgrove) in Grappenhall on the 18th May 2019. Ticket price discussed and £40 per ticket agreed on. Ball organisers volunteered and include NM, KS, SC, KH and Julie Daniels.

Action: NW to check if the PTA require a lotteries licence

Action: NM to contact Cath Buckley who organises Lymm May Queen (also on 18 May 2019).

Action: After speaking to Cath Buckley, Natalie to ask Kate Thomas in school to send out a save the date for the ball to parents.

St Patrick's Day/German Beerkeller night

- Sub-committee: AB, TN, DB plus additional volunteers
 - Date: Friday 15th March suggested, AB to confirm
- Action:** AB not present, agreed to check with Ann whether night is still going ahead.

School events

- Sportspersons dinner 8th February

AOB

PTA cupboard

- KJ has keys at the moment, KJ suggested we need a key holder, agreed that we should leave them with Student Services so that all PTA have easy access.
- Need a cupboard organiser, good idea to have a stock spreadsheet that is kept up-to-date.
- There is quite a lot of alcohol in the cupboard at the moment – could be used for raffle prizes at ball etc.

PTA get-together in school restaurant (Chapters)

- 31st January arranged for 15 PTA members.

Next meeting: Monday 4th March (if St Patricks night is going ahead), otherwise, Monday 29th April, both 7pm in the music room, leisure centre