



PTFA

St George's School Bourton

Church Track, Bourton, Gillingham

Dorset SP8 5BN

A Church of England School

Chair – Eve Wynn

PTFA Meeting - 17th May 2017

1) Present

Eve Wynn, Jim Mann, Jemima Munro, Ameer Perry, Harriet Rutter, Michael Salisbury, Lucy Morland, Zowie Crocker, Nicola Lavis, Helen Bedford, Clare Cowell

2) Apologies

Jess Twiston Davies.

3) Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes from the AGM meeting were approved and signed separately by Eve.

4) Treasurer's Report

- a) £4997.14 was the current balance. The meeting was content with the balance, particularly since an interactive whiteboard had recently been purchased and that the most significant fundraising event of the year, the Stourhead catering days, were still ahead of us. A discussion was had on what residual balance the PTFA should aim to hold. £2,000 was agreed to be optimal. It was noted that this would be a Christmas pantomime year for which extra funds were required.
- b) Michael asked whether a new interactive whiteboard could be purchased for Blue Base - the last remaining base without a new board. The meeting agreed this was a worthy investment. A small school donation (£300?) could be made and a possible discount from the supplier could be negotiated (following on from an error in a previous order).
- c) Library funding would be another requirement for PTFA involvement. Michael had put in a bid to the Foyle foundation for books where a pre-requisite of application was a school who's PTFA were supportive of the project. The PTFA agreed the library fund would be an ongoing area for their support where events could be focussed on raising money specifically for the library.
- d) Lucy Morland took on the mantle of grant applications with a view to delegating letter writing/form filling etc. to other parents. Jim Mann passed over a USB detailing existing applications and possible sources of funding.
- e) The swim the channel event had raised £511. It was agreed this was a worthwhile event which had required minimum input from the PTFA.

5) Leavers' Do

Clare informed the meeting that the theme of 'Italy' had been agreed upon for the Leavers' Do. In this vein, she had requested the Hidden Pizza Company to sell pizzas instead of the usual BBQ. Entertainment at the event was discussed which would include human table football, giant Jenga (courtesy of Amee) and a disco (courtesy of Dave Wynn) in the marquee. Malcolm had been asked to do the bar but if that was not possible Amee had a friend who could do a pop up bar. The event would finish c.10pm and Michael would write letters to the neighbours accordingly. A clean-up crew would be needed for Friday night as the village fete was the next day. We would also aim to use the sweet stall, previously built by Will LTB, to sell confectionary.

6) Stourhead Catering

Jemima, Zowie and Jane Frederick would run the Saturday, while Lucy, Eve and Helen would run the Sunday. Jim volunteered Sarah Mann to 'float'. Food Safety Certificates for Jemima and Lucy would be sent to Harriet this week. Stu would run the kitchen on the Saturday with a possibility of Mick Laslett on the Sunday. Soup makers were Harriet, Stu and Mick. Jemima and Harriet would do the necessary shopping on the preceding Thursday or Friday. Harriet would ask Jen of Wyke Farms for cheese and butter. A Stourhead specific meeting would be held on Friday 9th June, 15.15 at the Hunters' Lodge.

7) School Uniform Sale

This was going ahead on 21st June. Cake and clothes would be for sale and contributions for the latter were still being sought. More messages on Facebook nearer the time would help raise awareness.

8) Car Boot Sale

This would take place 9-12pm on June 17th with Amee as lead. It would be open to all and advertised in the Blackmore Vale. Cakes and refreshments would be available. £8 a car. Remaining clothes would be taken to the 'Recycle with Michael bin'.

9) School pool update

Nicola Lavis gave a pool update. The pool was on schedule to be open after half term. 25 people had turned up earlier in the evening for resuscitation training (thanks to Loraine). Provisional timetable for the pool rota was due shortly. Thanks to Nicola, Will LTB, Gareth Probert, Dave Wynn, Jim Mann, and Richard Coward for all their work. Next year would need a new pool leader as Nicola would step down. Gareth Probert was suggested as someone who could be asked.

10) Golf update

This had been a great success with £354.10 made and 11 teams taking part. Harriet would draft a thank you letter for Michael to send to Cathy and Richard Price. Gareth Probert and Dave Wynn were suggested as possible new leaders next year if the event goes ahead.

11) Family Farm Day

Zowie suggested holding a farm tour/event day at her farm in September. This was widely supported as a great fundraiser and fun/educational experience for the children. More discussions would take place in due course.

12) Race for Life for primary schools with Cancer Research

Zowie also asked whether the Race for Life could be incorporated in to sports day. She would look in to the mechanics of this and report back to Michael.

13) AOB

Jim would send details of the *Just Giving* page to establish if donations could be made through this to recoup tax.

14) The next meeting would be held at 3.15pm in school on June 23rd. Agenda items to Harriet by 18th June please.