

## **St Anne's Fulshaw PTA Meeting – Minutes**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017, 2pm, Egg Box**

### **1. Attendees**

Lisa Vose, Sophie Taylor, Lynn Hall, Natalie Lloyd, Alison Marris, Sean Carter, Claire Carter, Nicola Aslam, Clare Lockett

### **Apologies**

Clare Daniel, Lynsey Baird-Nelson, Jane Gilchrist, Caroline Kelf

### **2. Approval of minutes from the last meeting**

The minutes from the last meeting (which are on the school website) were approved.

### **3. Review of recent events and money raised**

#### **Boden party**

Claire Carter thanked Lisa Vose (LV) for running this very successful event. Profit on the bar and raffle was £138.50, plus a further donation of £10. Any remaining bottles of Prosecco were sold off separately after the event. The current commission that we have earned on purchases is £329.64, but the final total may be more depending on returns and late orders. At this early stage, Boden retain 30% for potential returns; 2 – 3 months after the event they will look at actual returns and pay any more commission owing.

Following the event, 21 new customers ordered and 21 existing customers ordered, making 42 orders as of 27/2.

Publicity was done via posters and promotion on local Facebook groups. Ladies from the Women's Institute and local community attended; however, very few parents from school attended/supported the event so we need to consider whether it's worth holding another.

#### **Cake sale/own-clothes day and school disco**

We made £184.30 on the cake sale/own-clothes day and £466.99 at the school disco.

### **4. Forthcoming events**

#### **Quiz Night (17/3)**

There was a discussion regarding the lack of volunteers for this event and the proximity of it. We need someone to oversee the event and coordinate the raffle. In previous

years, we have had 4 volunteers in the kitchen, cooking the jacket potatoes and serving the food. It was suggested that if we do not have enough volunteers this year, we could still run the event without hot food, serving nibbles or nachos and dips. If the event is going ahead we urgently need to apply for a licence for the bar.

For raffle prizes, we could ask for donations such as unwanted Christmas presents. Small prizes for the winning and losing teams have also been bought previously (Maltesers and wooden spoons).

Attendance numbers have gone down over the last 3 years, but the profit has remained roughly the same, as people have spent more on the bar.

Teams: The quiz is usually run with teams of six, but it was suggested that we could do a sign-up sheet for people who don't have a full team or class reps could help people form teams and encourage them to attend. Alternatively, we can put people together in teams on the night. It was agreed that we need to make it clear that everyone can attend whether or not they are in a team.

LV will post on the school Facebook page to raise awareness about the event and gauge if people are interested in attending or willing to help in the kitchen. In due course she will also request donations for the raffle on Facebook.

Sean Carter will check with Andy Morrison re. potatoes – previously he has sourced these for us.

### **Cinema Night (24/3)**

It was agreed that *Trolls* will be the film this time. This film is also appropriate for any younger siblings attending. It was noted that at the last Cinema Night some of the children became quite hyped up by the music. Natalie Lloyd (NL) has offered to oversee this event and will supervise on the night. Lynn Hall and Clare Lockett will also help out. NL will purchase refreshments –popcorn and water bottles. It was felt that salted popcorn would be better than sweet popcorn so the children don't get too sugar-fueled. Last time a lot of drinks were spilt, so NL will buy the bottles with a pop-up top to minimize spillages. Nicola Aslam (NA) will buy the bags for popcorn like last time.

### **Cake sale (31/3)**

This will be run by Class 3. NA suggested that the money collected for Own Clothes Day could be used as a float for the cake sale later on in the day. This needs to be requested

from Mrs Clark.

### **Bag2School (25/4)**

NA has booked this and will check the delivery date for bags – hopefully w/c 27 March before the Easter holidays. Collection date is 25/4.

### **Family Bingo (28/4)**

We will discuss the Family Bingo at our next meeting.

## **5. Raising awareness of our next fundraising goal: Resurfacing the outdoor play area**

Our current goal is to raise money to resurface the area around the flicky trail so that children can play on this all year round. It was agreed that we should highlight this goal at all of our events.

The cost of resurfacing will be approximately £15,000. It is hoped that the PTA will be able to donate around £3,000; the bike ride could make roughly £5,000. There are also other potential sources of funding – e.g. Co-op and local authority. It was suggested that we could look into the Waitrose scheme fundraising for local charities. Alison Marris (AM) has applied to Sainsbury's for us to do the bagging there to raise funds. Mrs Thomas has agreed to coordinate children for this.

## **6. Static bike event**

This was suggested at the last PTA meeting as a way to raise additional money alongside the Bike Ride. We could enquire at the leisure centre / Decathlon re. borrowing a static bike for this; alternatively, some members of the committee have exercise bikes we could use. It was thought that this might detract sponsorship away from the bike ride, so it was agreed that instead of using this as a separate fundraiser we could use it as a prop to encourage people to sponsor the bike ride, as well as having a bucket to collect coin donations.

## **7. Bags and tea towels – update**

We will do another push at the next cake sale, and reduce the price to £2 each. AM asked about having a stall at the jumble sale at St. Anne's Church this weekend, but unfortunately has been told there is not enough room in the church hall. At present, we

have sold approximately 150 tea towels and have approximately 150 remaining. We discussed whether it would be possible to sew some of the remaining tea towels into curtains for the Egg Box or tablecloths. CC noted that the Egg Box has to be fully visible, and cannot have curtains.

**8. 200 Club**

No further developments on this, though we discussed again moving the start of year to September rather than April and it was thought this made sense. This would necessitate an 18-month period for the first year.

**9. Engaging more volunteers**

This was discussed as a general theme through the meeting, rather than as a particular agenda item. We really need more volunteers in order to run the number of events we would like to and to raise the money required for our fundraising goals. This is particularly important given the current climate surrounding funding for schools. We would like to attract new committee members from classes lower down the school so that there is good representation across all years.

**10. AOB**

CC noted that we will need to purchase a new sticker with the Egg Box logo for a pane of glass that needs to be replaced due to a crack. This should not be very costly.

**11. Date of next meeting**

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March, 8pm, Horse and Jockey pub