

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

Monday 5 March 2018, Egg Box, 9am

### **1. Attendees**

Emily Titley, Lisa Vose, Clare Daniel, Susie Withington, Lynn Hall, Vicky Foster, Laura Moore, Fiona Toms, Alison Marris, Rachael Thomas

### **Apologies**

Nicola Aslam, Natalie Lloyd, Claire Carter, Vicky Wilson, Sophie Taylor, Nicola Coppock

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

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

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

#### **School Disco**

The disco went really well this year and we made £516 profit, which is more than last year.

The bar worked well being located further down between Classes 1 and 2. Becks sold well, but there are some cans of Stella Artois left.

The committee thanked Steve O'Connor for doing a fantastic job as DJ.

It was noted that extra spotlights in the hall made the atmosphere seem less frenetic than last year. CD noted that there were less Year 6 and ex-pupils attending this year, which may also have made a difference to the atmosphere in the hall.

It was agreed that the shortened format (1.5hrs rather than 2hrs) worked well.

Ticket sales were slow initially – only nine tickets had been sold three days before the event, but lots of people bought tickets at the last minute or on the door. The same thing happened with the Beetle Drive in November, despite good publicity in the two weeks prior to both events.

The glow rings were very popular and sold out. The tuck shop also did well. There was a discussion over whether to have a loot shop as well as a tuck shop at the next event, but it was agreed that this could get expensive for parents, who may well have spent a lot at the Christmas Fair the previous month.

#### **Non-uniform day / Cake sale**

The end-of-term non-uniform day in February raised £106.90 and the cake sale raised £70. It was suggested that prior to non-uniform day we post a reminder on the parent Facebook page that it is £1 for children to come in their own clothes, and include details of what this money will go towards.

The cake sale usually makes about £100, but this time there were lots of big cakes and it was thought that children might only have bought one cake for 50p.

#### **4. Forthcoming events**

##### **Quiz Night (Fri 9/3)**

Unfortunately, we have only sold three tickets for this, despite good publicity and reminders. We need a minimum of 25 – 30 people for it to go ahead. It is thought that perhaps the snow last week has affected ticket sales. Furthermore, adult-only socials can be expensive if couples have to book a babysitter. It was agreed that the price of the tickets would probably not have put people off.

If the quiz is cancelled this time, we will try to run it in the autumn term. The summer term is very busy and we have other events lined up. VF has already prepared the quiz, so this is ready to go.

It was suggested that class reps get involved in sorting out class teams, as then people will not feel they need to come with a partner. We could have a sign-up sheet for each class to get a minimum of one team together.

##### **Cinema Night (16/3)**

The date for this has been agreed as Friday 16 March, and the film will be Paddington 2. We have agreed to do snack boxes with some popcorn, a bottle of water, and a few crackers, as children are increasingly asking for crackers as well as / instead of popcorn. We will increase the ticket price to £5 to cover the additional cost of this.

##### **Non-uniform day (28/3)**

We will run this on the last day of term, Wednesday 28 March. Class 3 to lead.

##### **Music Night (27/3)**

This will be on Tuesday 27 March, 6.30pm. All children who are in choir or who play the guitar, piano or recorder will be involved. The PTA will serve tea, coffee, cakes and juice. We will request cake donations nearer the time, and we will need 2/3 volunteers to set up at 6pm and serve refreshments during the event.

##### **Family Bingo Night (27/4)**

We need to arrange a caller for this event. Tickets will be £3 per adult, £2 per child. There will be three rounds. We will serve tea, coffee, cakes, juice and crisps, and there will be a bar (for which we will need to buy a licence, as usual). The rota will be sorted out after Easter, and publicity will be sent out straight after the holidays.

#### **5. AOB**

Lisa Vose (LV) has updated the PTA newsletter.

There was a general discussion about potential sources of sponsorship / grants for our projects.

The PTA needs to raise money to pay for Phase 3 of the resurfacing around the play area (approx. £8k) and the cost of the new play equipment. CD requested that we prioritise the completion of Phase 3.

VF mentioned the possibility of seeking a grant from the council – LV will look into this.

It was highlighted that we need to actively seek a parent whose company could offer match funding for the bike ride from next year.

CD has received a quote of approximately £10k from Pentagon for the new play equipment (a three-tower structure).

There is a potential grant of £4k with Tesco, which ET will look into.

We have approached Waters in the past regarding sponsorship, but have never had any response.

SW's husband has enquired about the Manchester Airport Community Fund, but this has to benefit the wider community and not just an individual school; however, there is a further potential source of funding from the airport that is to be explored.

We will be able to apply for further Co-op funding in April / October.

VF has a contact at Total Fitness who she will approach regarding the possibility of sponsorship for the new play equipment.

#### **PTA roles**

LV is stepping down as co-chair in July. ET has agreed to do one more year in the role, preferably with another co-chair. SW has agreed to take on this role.

NA will be stepping down as treasurer in July, but has offered to support someone else in the role next year. It is thought we have a parent who is willing to take on this role.

VF has agreed to take on the role of Publicity Officer.

#### **6. Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 18 April, 8pm, venue TBC.