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MINUTES, 12th June 2019

1. Attendance

Polly Mackintosh (co-Chair), Lorraine Millington (co-Chair), Robert Salt (Business Manager), Dawn Thompson, Paul Sage, Jude Herlihy, Jude Irvine, Tanya Guildford, Jeremy Millington (Acting Secretary)

Apologies

Mark Woodlock (Head), Avena Shirley, Joy Griffin, Jane Gilroy

Everyone introduced themselves and explained their connection to the school for Tania's benefit as it was her first time.

2. Approval of Minutes - Matters Arising

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted. Action items reviewed.

| Item | Action | Status |
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| Soup | Lorraine Wells Soup Wells Soup is a local organisation that provides funding up to £700 for one of four projects presented at quarterly meetings and voted on by all present. The next is on 26 October, which is during Half Term, so the Spring 2020 Soup might be a good one to go for. PTA can go and make the presentation if children are unavailable. Presentation must be strong. Making the school plastic free could be the focus. | Lorraine suggested one of team go down on 13 July to get a feel for how it works. Aim for Spring 2020 Soup meeting, so carry over to next meeting. |
| Tesco bags of help | Haven't got anywhere, Polly said. | Carry over to the next meeting. |
| Waitrose | Lorraine application and would be handed over to the plastics team to formulate the application but with exams there is a delay in this. | Carry over to the next meeting. |
| Morrisons | Morrisons. | Carry over to the next meeting. |
| Date to meet the governors | Robert said the meeting is 16 July Mark the request to be invited | Await word from Mark |

3. Request For New Parent Skills / How To Make The PTA More Visible

There was a discussion between those present of particular skills and how best to share them out between the team.

Robert said that the above roles should be discussed and resolved by AGM in Sept.

4. Plastics at school - update

Diane Harris has purchased the water bottles. they'd run out of the 500ml bottles so she'd gone for 700ml ones...the dolphin logo as per previous plans and Lorraine showed a photo to the group. As shown below.



5. Finances

- Easyfundraising report:

48 members we've raised nearly two hundred pounds raised through easyfundraising
Year 6 induction day push to get new parents to sign up on 03/07/19

- Invoice and update on water troughs:

Robert said students could access water troughs morning before school, break, between lessons etc. There are too few water troughs at the moment, meaning considerably queuing by students. Suggestions of water troughs to be installed outside the sports area

Actions: Robert will invoice the PTA for the cost of the troughs and PTA would pay with a cheque.

Lorraine & Polly to approach Glastonbury Festival for funding

6. Fundraising

Mufti day: Need to ask the school's fundraising team if they'd give up one of their mufti days for PTA.

Actions: Polly / Lorraine to contact Steve Higgins

7. Blue Bash

Lorraine explained we've hit a problem with the Blue Bash, hence the cancellation: the jazz band are no longer available.

Lorraine and Polly agree that it's unfortunate the school didn't combine the Blue Bash and Summer Concert

PTA social event in Kennion Hall or elsewhere
Spring was agreed as a better time for a fundraiser: April / May etc.
Lorraine also noted that her music duo The Portraits would be having a CD Launch concert at Andelli Gallery in Wells in late September and donating the proceeds to the PTA.

It was agreed that the Blue Bash was cancelled.

Actions: Lorraine has bought wine and this could be carried over to the October quiz etc. Thank Andy Jennings for the poster he'd created. This could be carried forward to future events.

8. Donation of painting - Auction plan

The painting donated by Andelli Gallery to raise funds for the PTA will be auctioned instead at the Quiz in October.

9. Note from Robert re Alcohol Rules and Running the Leavers' balls

PTA agreed to discuss further

10. Year Six Induction

Polly and Lorraine to undertake the evening

13. Mural update

Could PTA fund it

Tania's ideas chimed with the rest of the team that the pupils should be involved and this topic is still up for discussion. Polly asked if the new Head of Art could be also involved?

Actions: Set up a separate meeting with Tania and anyone else interested to discuss this in greater detail.

14. Newsletter: Deadline 24/06/19

A call for match funding, parents involved in companies who might match funds and a push for people to sign up for Easyfundraising. Also, about uniform. Parents working for, or with links to, large companies, who are the ones who will match fund, are the ones we need to appeal to. It was agreed that the Blue School Quiz in October should also be focussed on

*Actions: Prepare A4 (x2??) PTA page for the next edition Out Of The Blue by deadline June 24th?
Robert to consider digital opt-in.*

15. Update on uniform

There was a discussion about when and how to offer used uniform for sale.

Polly started the discussion by suggesting mid September was the best time to offer used uniform for sale to parents.

Tania asked why not choose the last day of summer term for the sale. Could do this, plus also offer used uniform at all other events, Quiz, Parents Evenings, etc..

Actions: Discuss again a specific PTA social night in September as above and plans to offer uniform for sale at multiple events.

16. Collection Of Old Uniform For Charity

Polly has spoken to a refugee action group RAFT

Polly suggested talking to Steve about writing a letter, sending a photo of our school, to make a link with the school(s) receiving our old uniform. Then we could hold a mufti collection for same school or charity. RAFT is a local charity, and good to support them. A connection of this type with a school far less privileged than our own would be a good thing for Blue School students.

17. Voluntary Hours

Polly said from September we must all log our voluntary hours for everything we do including meetings for match funding etc. Lorraine said if anyone knows anyone that can do match funding with a parent at the school working for a big company for example, do tell us, or approach them.

18. Any Other Business

To set up a social evening like A Mama Mia Sing a- long next autumn

19. Next Meeting

AGM on 11/09/19 7pm Atom Cafe
