



MARSH GIBBON

— CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL —

Minutes of the meeting held 21st March 2018

In Attendance:

Julie Hickey	Kelly Cheek	Mark Mackintosh
Gareth Owens	Lorraine De Brun	Charley Mackintosh
Rebecca Fitzpatrick	Katy Kelly	Holly Franklin
Claire Howett	Jayne Sinclair	Claire Scott
Karen Maciejewski	Sarah Reveler	Liz Bruce Kelly

Apologies:

Andy Scott	Nicola Lawrence	Karen Barber
Hannah Lyon	Andrea Healey	Louise Thresher
Phil Blazdell	Louise Mews	Judy Toes
Katie Blazdell	Olivia Stanleigh	

Matters arising from the previous minutes

1. Miss Fitzpatrick advised that the science club is fully booked this year, however he was coming in to do DNA with the years 6's on the 22nd March and she was having a meeting to possibly book for next year.

Chairperson report

Presented by Liz Bruce-Kelly as Vice Chair in Phil Blazdell's absence.

Liz expressed her sadness that Mrs Hickey was retiring and thanked her for the last 7 years at the school and moving the school forward.

Headteacher report

Mrs Hickey reported that the SIAMS inspection was very positive. They said "really nice things" about the school. "Caring Christian leadership", "positive attitudes" were a few mentioned. The full report can be found on the school website.

Mrs Hickey reported that the new IT equipment has made such a difference to the school and are very useful to all areas of the children's development. Miss Fitzpatrick downloaded work sheets on to the ipads, gave her class one each and the children worked directly on them.

Mrs Hickey mentioned that the children "were a credit to the school" on the science trip and thank you to Miss Fitzpatrick for organising. Also another thank you to Miss Fitzpatrick for organising the dance competitions and getting us through to the finals next week.

"We're winning!" No more excuses that were a small village school, our football team is unbeaten and top of the league and have been guaranteed a place in the semi-finals.

Mrs Hickey has had a meeting with Sam from Playforce regarding the old playground equipment which needs to be condemned. The children decided not to spend money revamping the old equipment, they would like something new. Miss Fitzpatrick reported they would like: Twisted net, S shape equipment (so it cannot be used a football goal), stepping stones, rope tunnel, shock absorbing floor and low rise rock climbing wall.

Cost is £7000, however the school has been given £5000 funding, therefore asking the PTA for £2000.

Mrs Hickey explained that a speedy decision was needed if the equipment is to be installed in May. The company would require notice of a few weeks so they could organise the ordering of the equipment.

Unanimous decision to go ahead, £2000 to be given by the PTA. Katy Kelly mentioned we could possibly try to raise £2000 by doing sporty fundraisers.

Treasurer Report

Sarah Reveler reported:

Current balance £7463.42

Film night to be added @ £204.73, thank you Claire Scott for organising.

Earmarked £1001.27 (Polar Bear challenge £41.00, Royal Tea & Matchbox competition £613.84) for the new Trudi Library.

Kath Pullen's art show raised £346.43 (inc in current balance). Profit to be put back into art resources.

Earmarking £500 for Miss Fitzpatrick's data loggers

Forecast fundraising: approx. £5000 for next year.

Film Night and Facebook

Film Night

Everybody thanked Claire Scott for organising and commented how "chilled", how it "went so well" and was "perfect".

There had been negative comments, the main one being no pizza.

Suggestions noted:

- Cooked pizza at home and children can eat it cold later.

- Children were hungry so food was needed

- Set price per family

- Not all children could see

- Teddies to be taken in

- Black out blind

- Bring your own snacks

- Pizza Parties

Year 6 suggested the school council run it, or tick a box to say no pizza if you don't want it.

PTA discussed how we have tried and tested so many ways.

- Better with drinks bottles bought from home

- Get the sweets out quickly or the children keep asking throughout the movie.

- All the food went including carrot sticks and cucumber

Costs - £4 last time and it was agreed at the previous PTA meeting the cost would go up to £5, as the children get an individual size pizza from dominos worth £6.49, popcorn, sweets and a film.

£5 (1 child) £8 (2 children) £10 (3 children)

All persons present agreed *when a decision is made at the PTA meeting the decision will stand in future events.*

Facebook

Due to recent fuelled facebook debates, the PTA would like noted:

- Please be careful when writing on Facebook, it's not nice to read, it can be a form of bullying and the recent debate got out of hand and nasty.
- Positive posts, questions and ideas are welcomed.
- Specific events will now have specific coordinators, so if parents or staff have any questions or concerns to go to them directly.
- Facebook rules and guidance to be sent out via Parentmail and admin have the right to remove any feed at their discretion.
- Complaints procedures are on the school website.

Leavers

Mr Owens confirmed that this year 6 leaver's hoodies are £15 each.

AOB

Money Request

Katy Kelly originally asked for £120 for the dance costumes, however she overspent by £43.00 and would like to ask for more.
Unanimous Decision in the room to go ahead.

Fundraising

Aylesbury Vale Lottery. Everything raised goes back into the school. Jayne Sinclair to investigate.

Head Teacher for the day @50p a ticket. Katy Kelly to organise on behalf of the Fox class. Mrs Hickey agreed.

AGM

To be bought forward to June 7th @7:45pm. Class rep allocation to take place.
September PTA will be focussing on meeting the new class teachers.

E-Safety

Mr Owens would like to organise an e-safety group. The group needs to have 'ideally' a governor, SLT representation, ICT coordinator, Child protection lead, ICT support, Parents or carers, neighbourhood PC or PCSO, representation from community group such as army cadets and children (esafety ambassadors). The group would get together and discuss issues and how to implement into school, engage the community to work together to benefit all.
Volunteers for the parental representative role were Karen Maciejewski and Kelly Cheek.

Pig Roast Meeting

Karen Barber would like to start organising the class reps on the 18th April @2pm.

Library

Awaiting funds.
Mrs Williams has sent a letter to Bunnings regarding the fitting of the Library, she is waiting for a response.
Jayne Sinclair reported that we have applied to the Siobhan Dowd trust for books, again awaiting a response.
Hannah Lyon has donated 200 books from her school (Glory Farm in Bicester). Thank you Hannah.
We discussed the location of the Library as the resource room is too damp for books and Mrs Hickey is waiting to hear back from builders to upgrade the original building.

THE NEXT PTA MEETING IS THE AGM ON JUNE 7TH
ALL WELCOME – PLEASE COME ALONG
7.45PM FOR AN 8PM START AT MARSH GIBBON SCHOOL