Mosspits Lane Primary School

Parents' Association Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 21st October 2015 - 6pm

Minutes

6pm Arrival – Refreshments available

1. Welcome & Apologies

Present – Samantha Bentall, Jan Sweeney, Carolyn Thornton, Tina Nightingale, Nicky McGrath, Louise Everitt, Val Bray, Karen Owens, Jo Jones, Kate Ellis, Emma Watson, Andrea Clintworth.

Apologies – Jill Kyriakides

Introductions

2. Minutes of Last AGM – Agreed.

3. Chair's Report – Copy included.
LE thanked JK for her hard work and said that she had been an excellent PA chair and that the committee would be sorry to see her go. She has left the PA in very good form.

4. Treasurer's Report – Copy Included.
It was mentioned that the PA would benefit from finding more parents who worked for companies who provided match funding and that the committee needs to actively promote Easyfundraising – especially in the run up to Christmas.

5. Election of Committee Members.

Position	Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
Chair	**Jo Jones**	**Nicky McGrath**	**Carolyn Thornton**
Vice Chair	**Emma Watson, Kate Ellis**	**Sam Bentall**	**Jan Sweeney**
Secretary	**Sam Bentall Jan Sweeney**	**Louise Everitt**	**Tina Nightingale**
Treasurer	**Carolyn Thornton**	**Jan Sweeney**	**Jo Jones**

All committee members duly elected.

Jo Jones discussed how to attract more members and especially more dads - possibly screening football matches or hosting a beer festival?
LE – school governors concerned about alcohol on the premises but perhaps alternative venues could be sought.

Other fundraising ideas

Zumbathon – or another sporty event.
Football tournament. Five a-side teams.
Fun run.
PA to make informal presentation at coffee mornings to attract new members.
SB stated that many parents do help at events even if they are not committee members.
KO said that membership always fluctuates.
LE said that we should have a regular item on the agenda regarding – how to market the PA.
KO – to update website.
NM – to update Twitter.
LE – Lets be radical and add new and exciting ideas.
TN – Can we have a PA noticeboard? All agreed that this was a good suggestion. LE to investigate possibility.
LE suggested a fundraising thermometer.
CT said that it was worth looking at "PTA Plus" website and magazine.
LE suggested Teatowels – which are always a popular fundraiser.
KO suggested hoodies
EW suggested Class of 'year' tops.

6. Special Business – Election of Year Reps

EY – Andrea

Y1 – Kate

Y2 – TBC

Y3 – Shirley Davies

Y4 – Nicky McGrath

Y5 – Jan Sweeney

Y6 – Tina Nightingale

Year reps are a point of contact for parents in their year group and will actively promote PA events.

7. Any Other Business / Future Fundraising Events

a. Autumn Disco
b. Cauliflower Christmas Cards
c. Christmas film or live theatre

   LE – asks which committee prefered – live theatre or cinema. All agreed live theatre was better. LE asked VB to research travelling theatre company.

d. Disco – 13th Nov yr 3-6 Dare to be Scared Disco.
   Letters to be sent out. Tickets to be printed.
   SB and JJ to organize tickets.
   CT – to source snacks and drinks.
   LE – to email disco letter on Friday before half term

e. Film night yrs 1 and 2 - 2nd December – 3 – 5.30pm

f. Christmas Raffle – need to source prizes. Monday 14th December.
   LE to email everybody with a request for five suggestions for ideas for raffle prizes.
   LE to organize letter asking for prizes.
   Letter going out to parents asking if they can donate prizes.

g. Santa Dash – 4th December.

h. Santa's Grotto and crafts 9th, 10th 11th December.

Bids for PA Funds

KO - Around the World – approved
Noticeboard.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 10th November at 3.30pm to discuss Autumn Disco.
Wednesday 18th November 3.45pm to discuss Christmas events.

Meeting Closed at 7.27pm