

Friends of The Bythams County Primary School (FOBS)



Minutes for the Annual General Meeting – Sept 2017

Meeting Date: Tuesday 19th September at 7.00 pm, The Bythams School

By WELCOME/APOLOGIES

Suzi Duxbury, Maris Hodge, Sarah Hind, Eleanor Bannister, Richard Clarke, Rachael Barratt, Mel Burke, Debbie Brookfield, Emily Martin, Jemma Humphries, Ian Pollard, Beth Mason Rushbrook, Beth (Anderson), Rachel Derry Ward, James Rees, Clare Watson.

Apologies: Sarah Hind, Sharon Woodward

2. REVIEW OF 2016/17

Chairmans review: Highlights / Lowlights

- Lots of events. No major lowlights.
- £7075 Profit

Discos

- Successful, increased prices, advised parents what was on offer for children to buy
- Alternate between two village halls
- Guide on how to do is complete
- Recommends wrist band with contact numbers as entry 'tickets'

Bags-to school

- Great year
- Need new storage location and co-ordination point with local jumble sales ie Castle Bytham

Love your tree

- Very cold day
- FOBS provided refreshments. Great opportunity to 'piggy back' on another's promotion and widen spread of parties contributing to FOBS (ie external to school monies)
- Working with community function also provides opportunity to promote the School

Mothers Day

- Suzi did surprisingly well (😊)
- Not set as a profit maker but generated £163.
- Year 6 helped with shop which worked well

Easter

- Spinney easter egg hunt, very successful – very popular
- Great to obtain 'external money'
- FOBS led refreshments, egg decorating competition, easter egg hunt

Mayfair

- Great support from parents running stalls
- All brought onto the field
- First wet year – despite this, great fundraising result.

Midsummer Festival

- FOBS working with Colsterworth Cubs led childrens games
- Difficulty in gaining parents support for an 'hour of duty', some parties worked all day...following closely after school Mayfair a degree of fatigue in volunteers
- We were given an Archer to manage and charge for 'having a go'
- Very hot day
- Traditional games received positive feedback from customers, but also a request for more children's activities.
- This is an annual event and they will need children's activities each year – so there for FOBS to participate with, as long as parents can spare an hour (if enough volunteers)

Sports Day

- Less successful, poor cake donations due to change in date

Summer Social

- Pared down event due to committee fatigue

Treasurer's Review

Started the year with a healthy balance of over £9,000; all of this was allocated to the big build.

This year's fundraising has funded:

- Replacement trim trail
- Milkshakes
- Funded panto bus
- Updated reception playground
- Bought Y6 leavers gifts

Closing balance £3300, with £2000 allocated to the repair of the outdoor classroom, leaving £1300 balance available for start of 2017/18 school year.

3. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS & Coordinators

The meeting also wished to record the exceptional efforts of Clare & Suzi, who are standing down as Chair and treasurer respectively. Thank you both !

Chairman – Clare Watson proposed **Mel Burke**, seconded by Debbie Brookfield

Vice Chair – Eleanor Bannister proposed by **Emily Martin**, seconded by Jemma Humphries

Treasurer – Debbie Brookfield proposed **Rachael Barratt** by seconded by Mel Burke

Secretary – Emily Martin proposed by Clare Watson, seconded by Mel Burke

Other roles – to be discussed at next meeting

Close of AGM

4. 2017/2018 Planning

Pizza, Popcorn & Film night in Badgers / Hall ?
Friday 6th October, 6-8pm

Lead: Mel

Volunteers (thank you !): Debbie, Jemma, Maris, Rachael

Action:

- 1) Prep meeting 26th sept 7.30pm @ Fox - all
- 2) Decide 3 films for children to vote against – Mel to advise Julia Miner / Richard
- 3) Decide food and fees

4) Communicate – Parentmail / Facebook / Posters

Friday 20th October 6pm - ?
School Disco – Little Bytham
Need wrist bands

Lead: Elle
Volunteers: Maris, Debbie, Bee, Jemma

Bags to school collection
31st October

Lead:
Request for bags to be issued before half term
Community collection on Monday 30th
Collection from school Tuesday 31st

Sunday 5th Nov Castle Bytham Fireworks
Pumpkin Craving competition & selling Glowsticks

Lead:
Volunteers: Rachael, James

Other

School advised to buy a portable PA system ahead of receiving Midsummer Festival Monies, ideally for use at school disco.

Action: Emily: Autumn Newsletter from FOBS – introducing FOBS committee & events where known, indicate where help can be given – time/ cake etc

Next Meeting: Tuesday 17th October 2017 7pm @ school

Items for next meeting:

1. School requirements, after outdoor classroom what else?