

PTA MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting held on
Wednesday 22nd April 2015 at 7.30pm
At The Cock Inn, Whaley Bridge

1) **Present:** Faye Walton (Head Teacher) Alexandra Owen (Teacher Representative)
Jane Marchington Di Williamson
Zoey Vickers Sue Barrett
Beverley Eaves Simon Traher

2) **Apologies:** Lisa Guest (Secretary) Nicola Freeman (Treasurer)
Suzanna King Bridget Mooney
Amanda Skeldon

Action

3) **Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting were agree and seconded as being a true and accurate record of events.

4) **Minutes of last meeting**

- Owl carving for the environmental area – Miss Farrell has made two requests for money to improve the environmental area within school. The first is for £380 to prepare an area of ground for a new butterfly garden.

The second and larger request for £800 for an artist to come into school and carve a large owl to be the centre piece of the area. The children will be taken to watch the owl being carved and activities will take place around this 'event'.

As the PTA has had no other formal requests for funding, an overwhelming response of yes was passed from members responsible for monies raised so far.

- Special thanks went to Di Williamson and husband Steve, for the preparation which went into the Quiz. It is hoped this will become an Annual event, and that Di will remain as resident Quiz Master for many years to come!

5) **Treasurers Report**

In the absence of NF, the following report was presented for review.

WBPS PTA Treasurers Report: Spring Term

Starting Balance (01/01/2015)		£ 5,883.00
<u>Income</u>		
Quiz and Curry	£ 583.00	
Mother's Day Flowers 2015	£ 26.00	
Bags to School	£ 228.00	
Toast and Cake	£ 149.00	
Valentine Disco	£ 357.00	
Easy Fundraising	£ 42.00	
Total Income		£ 1,385.00
<u>Funding Requests</u>		
WBPS Trips Funding	-£ 1,032.00	
WBPS Class money	-£ 550.00	
Total Contributions		-£ 1,582.00
<u>PTA Expenses</u>		
PTA Association Subscription	-£ 96.00	
High Peak Council Lottery License	-£ 20.00	
WBPS Contribution to Office Expenses	-£ 500.00	
Total Expenses		-£ 616.00
<u>Other Items</u>		
Mother's Day Flowers 2014	-£ 35.00	
2014 Related Expenses (late Christmas expense cheques)	-£ 50.00	
Total Other Items		-£ 85.00
Closing Balance (20/04/2015)		£ 4,984.00
<u>Committed Items</u>		
Butterfly Garden	-£ 380.00	
Owl Carving	-£ 800.00	
Total Committed		-£ 1,180.00
Available Funds		£ 3,805.00

NB: Mother's Day flowers shown include this year's income and an outlay for last year's event, as invoice from previous event was never paid.

6)

Fashion Show

- Date: Thursday 7 May.
- Event Co-ordinator: BE / ZV

All posters are up in shops. High Peak Radio and other groups also supporting. Further push required at school.

TIMINGS

The general start time for fashion show is 7:30pm. The SOS Fashion people to arrive an hour earlier to prepare. ZV and BE will be at the school after 5.30pm.

Models need to arrive about 20-30 minutes before the beginning of the show, to pick the outfits they will use. The fashion show will last for approximately 40 minutes, afterwards attendees will have the opportunity to browse and purchase the clothing provided.

MODELS

A minimum of 6 models is required to host an SOS Fashion Show, but 8, 10 or 12 are even better to keep it flowing.

- Bev Eaves
- Zoey Vickers
- Amanda Skeldon
- Alexandra Owen
- Maria Williams (via. Bev)
- Laura Chadwick (via. Mrs Walton)
- Bridget Mooney (via. Di Williamson)
- Rosemary Lloyd (via. Bev)
- Alannis Barnes

Change of shoes, accessories, tights (?) so you are not limited to choice of outfit.

CLOTHING

The brands featured are from all the major High Street Stores such as Topshop, Planet, Marks & Spencer's, Dorothy Perkins and Wallis . All sold at half price or less.

ROOM LAYOUT

Chairs will be set up in the correct position before the show. The ideal layout should be that of a 'cinema style' with two long sets of columns and a large gap in the middle for the models to walk down. There should also be allocated space to place eleven 6ft rails of clothing, as well as space for a point of sale area. They also request a room is available for models to change and for customers to try on clothes.

BE/ZV

TICKETS

Tickets are £2.50 in advance / £3.00 on the door.

BE/ZV

We anticipate a lot of people will turn up at the door. We have sold approx. 40 tickets, but I know a lot of people who have not yet bought their ticket.

Help required to sell/collect tickets on door. BE/ZV to source.

LICENCE

A TEN (Temporary Event Notice) licence to sell alcohol has been secured from High Peak Borough Council at the prescribed fee of £21. Help required on the bar. BE/ZV to source.

BE/ZV

MIRRORS

Full length mirrors required. BE to source, and check if SOS can bring also.

BE

7)

PTA Awards

WBPS PTA Star Award is a new award and recognition program designed to promote, recognise, and reward excellence in promoting the interests of WBPS in the community. Following the recent success of the Quiz and Curry Night, our first awards were issued in March to:

- Goyt Wines
- Zayka

For helping to raise over £500 for school funds. Both businesses have their awards on public display.

8)

School Disco

- Date: Thursday 11 June
- Event Co-coordinator: TBA

Earlier this year, BM diarised Thursday 11 June for the next school disco.

TIMINGS

Key Stage 1 17:15 to 18:30

Key Stage 2 18:30 to 20:00

It was agreed that we would approach Mr Baxter to be DJ. Miss Owen to approach. AO

BM is unable to coordinate disco this time. ZV to understand disco priorities and delegate if needed. ZV

Disco lights would also be required. Can we approach Fiona Kilburn as last time? ZV to speak with FK. ZV

ZV has bulk purchased some flavoured water drinks for event. However, as for food, (typically hot-dogs) we should consider those children who have gluten intolerance. FW to advise. FW

NB: Subject of toast offered every other Friday was mentioned. Request from one pupil – could we consider an alternative? FW to coordinate with parents. FW

9)

Rose Queen Carnival

- Date: Saturday 27 June
- Event Co-coordinator: BE / ZV

The Rose Queen Festival celebrates its 40th anniversary on Saturday 27 June. The theme is to celebrate the vivid spirit of the 70s pop, fashions, extraordinary stories, the start of modern sports heroes.

Several ideas were provided. One initiative met with enthusiasm was to conduct a Tie-Dye T-shirt Workshop after school – suggested date: Thursday 18 June. Children would create their own t-shirt, and wear for the carnival.

Miss Owen to book the Creative classroom. AO

DW and SB have some experience with Tie-Dye. A workshop coordinator is required. BE to source. BE

BE to design a flyer/poster to go out in book bags and promote. Donation of buttons and string! BE

Plain white T-shirts to be sourced for bulk purchase. Would be great if we obtained on a sale or return basis. JM

WBPS walking procession to utilise banner created for last year's carnival. See Miss Owen. AO

Personal invitation to go out to known previous teachers of Whaley Bridge Primary School. ZV to coordinate with FW. ZV

Children to source 70's play equipment - space Hoppers, retro bikes- scooters, skipping ropes, yo-yos, rubiks cubes etc -

10) New Parents & 50-50 Draw

A new initiative will launch and start from September 2015 to June 2016. This will be a monthly 50/50 draw in which you draw members can win a cash prize. The draw will take place at the end of every month from September 2015 to June 2016. It will cost £1 a month to be entered into the draw. Every month, one lucky winner will take 50% of the draw income, and 50% will go into PTA funds. Ideally, we would like to sign up at least 100 participants to make it a fabulous cash prize for the lucky winner. ZV

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- If 100 participants pay £10 for the school year, that's £500 towards PTA funds, and £50 cash prize every school month.
- If 150 participants pay £10 for the school year, that's £750 towards PTA funds, and £75 cash prize every school month.

A letter including information will be circulated mid-June, and an introduction by ZV will be presented at the welcome meeting Monday 22 June for new Reception parents.

11) Hanging Baskets

Michael Healey, of Shallcross Nursery has indicated that with some co-ordination the school could raise additional funds selling hanging baskets at competitive prices. Due to the number of events planned for the rest of the school year, and the limited people available to take on new projects, BE believes this idea should be parked for consideration next year. BE

12) Easyfundraising

- easyfundraising.org.uk BE

Reminder to everyone about easyfundraising.org.uk - a great way to raise money for Whaley Bridge PTA just by shopping online. What is great—you don't pay anything extra!

£93.71 has been raised since 17 September 2014.
Only 17 members.

13) Summer Fair

- Proposed Date: Saturday 11 July
- Event Coordinator: Jane Marchington

The event will be held on the school field.

This keenly anticipated annual event wouldn't get off the ground each year without the commitment of the school's PTA committee members, school staff and dedicated parent volunteers.

Volunteers needed: A volunteer signup sheet on the PTA notice board outside school reception will be put up end of June.

- Help to set up before the fair - moving tables, laying out the stalls etc
- Help on stalls during the fair - the bar, cakes, stalls/activities, selling raffle tickets
- Help to tidy up at the end of the day

Ideas:

- Maypole Dancing – we believe there is a maypole somewhere ? FW to source. FW
If not, DW can obtain maypole through her sources. DW
- Backfield – have an arena
- Cream teas, bring a picnic, scones
- Gazebos
- Approach vintage stalls
- Games – splat the rat, welly wanging
- Teacher baby pictures
- Bucket of Water
- Game of rounders
- Pimms Stall / merchandise
- Sack races
- Hay bales
- Picture frame
- Tea towels
- Bouncy Castle

It was agreed that JM would team up with BE and ZV, so that we can arrange next meeting to discuss plans

14)

AOB

- The 2015 Aviva Tour of Britain will take the world's top bike riders and teams from the island of Anglesey, North Wales to London across eight stages from Sunday 6 to Sunday 13 September.

Stage Six – earmarked Friday 11 September anticipates will run through Whaley Bridge village – passed the school !

Parent: Simon Traher would like to help promote this with the school, and to work alongside Mr Emsley who was nominated to act as teacher representative. ST
Mr E

Fred at the Bike Shop also wants to get involved. FW very keen that we embrace the Tour of Britain, and the foreseen road closure outside the school.

A suggestion that the race would be around 1.30pm-2.00pm

Could we team this event up with the Annual Whaley Wander, barbeque, and band straight after school ?

Extraordinary meeting to be agreed between key members

- Following the success of the tea towels, some parents have asked that we consider creating a Fundraiser Calendar for next school year (Jan-Dec 2016). Photos to be taken of children whose birthday falls in the calendar month. Photo themed accordingly. ST is a photographer, and agreed in principal.

Dates would need to be arranged early October and storyboard, coordination of themes necessary.

- The success of recent Auction of Promises carried out by New Mills community and Hayfield School was discussed. Something for the future?
- A parent at the recent Quiz and Curry night suggested we Astroturf the tennis court and use for multi-sports. Is this a consideration as part of a bigger fundraising project?
- New school website is ready to go live. Watch this space. An admin area for PTA has been considered.
- New library books required to replace old, outdated books, and include new genres. Mrs Barnett and FW to price up and explore grant options also.
- AO would like to see a Breakfast club initiative for Year 6 during their week of stats.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

Date to be agreed for next meeting