

BALSHAW'S ASSOCIATION PTA – Charity Number 1176684

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT SCHOOL ON Wednesday 2nd
October 2019 at 7.30pm**

PRESENT: Julia Monks, Steve Lomax, Nicki Crompton, Steve Haycocks, Tracie Vass, Ann Brown, Tim Callaghan, Sue Crompton, Sharon Haworth, Michelle Riley, Cheryl Walmsley, Keith Woodcock, Andrea Coles,

1. Welcome and prayer

The Meeting Was opened with a prayer from Steve Haycocks (Head)

2. Apologies

Received from Paula Brooks-Liddell, Debra Delaney, Andy Hargreaves, Gill Hargreaves, Heidi Thomas, Jamie Macgregor ,Katrina Merry, Ginny Woods

AGM

3. Minutes of AGM held on 3rd October 2018

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes of the AGM held on 3rd October 2018

5. ,Chairman's Report – A successful year for the PTA. The Winter Wonderland Event was fantastic and we hope to replicate it . Easter Bingo was well received and it is hoped to run this event again during this academic year

6. Headteacher's Comments

Steve H commented Winter Wonderland was a fantastic addition to our calendar of events. The number of people coming to events is amazing and continues to attract the families of pupils who have left. Results of an Inspection at the end of last year was successful. Examination results were amazing. Steve thanked the PTA for their continued support.

7. Election of Chair 2019/2020

Julia Monks was nominated by Nicki Crompton and seconded by Keith. Carried unanimously.

8. Treasurers Report - Steve L circulated Treasurer's Report

Income summary is cash as expenditure is paid cash .Closing balance whilst accurate needs to have monies for the fund bids needs to be paid to school. Currently we have 2 people who continue to donate monthly to the school. This is approx £50 per month. Those monies will be going through our bank account shortly. Steve also has oversight of the foundation account and will sort the transfer (ACTION)

9. Election of Exec Committee 2019/20

Steve L - Treasurer nominated by Tim Callaghan seconded by Steve H
Nicki C – Secretary nominated by Steve H seconded by Tracie Vass
Tracie Vass nominated by Julia Monks, seconded by Cheryl Walmsley.

10. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 4th September 2019.

Heidi was not in attendance to discuss promotional materials
Keith advised the first Quiz Night went well but there were no prizes. 28 paying adults and quite a few pupils. Keith thanked Cheryl for collecting monies. Financially not a raging success but given the weather, it was thought acceptable. 16th November 2019 next quiz night. Discussion as to whether Friday nights might be better. A vote was held 3 voted for Saturday, 7 voted Friday, whilst some voted for a mix of the two. Suggested that at the next quiz the attendees could be asked which night they would prefer. The start time of the quiz also to be discussed as if it were to start earlier it might attract more with children. Julia suggested we should ask those who attend the next quiz night (ACTION). Keith said at 23.20 he locked up last time so this could be a possibility.

Opening Evening – tomorrow 6-9. Steve H said people wander around from 5.30. He suggested PTA here from 5.30 onwards. JM thought we could sell tickets for Race Night at the Open Evening. Promote PTA
Steve H advised that he has photos of things we funded last round of bids. A display would allow parents to see exactly what the PTA do with monies raised. Andrea will be requested to display them tomorrow (ACTION)

- 11. Schedule of dates** – E-mailed by JM. Change Spring Fair now Saturday 16th May 2020

12. Race Night – Friday 11th October 2019

Sponsors pay £25 and the race can be named after them, logos of a company etc. After the event they can be mentioned and thanked. 8 Races each with 8 horses numbered 1-8. Horses £5 each. Pay out of £20 for a winner. Katrina has the tricast card for Race Night £1 and is sorting this. (ACTION) Andrea Coles needs horse names by Monday.

Discussion about when and where we were allowed to advertise about Race Night referenced with GDPR regulations. JM also advised that we have to consider gambling laws. We will try to sell horses and tickets vehemently over the next few days. People can bring their own drinks and snacks but we agreed to sell tea, coffee and soft drinks

- 13. Winter Wonderland – Saturday 30th November 2019**

Steve H advised that we are not having the ice rink. Steve H will make enquiries to see if we can have the Curling Rink again. Santas Grotto is sorted. Discussed having more internal stalls. This could be launched after Race Night. JM asked if we could have a non-uniform day for prizes for Quiz Nights and a tombola. (ACTION Steve H) Bottle tombola, chocolate tombola. Need selection boxes B & M 75p. JM to email stallholders from last year to see if they want to attend this year. (ACTION) We will endeavour to ensure all are inside this year – the gym can also be used for stalls, as can the corridors and foyer. £10 per table if they want more tables they pay more.

14. **Social Evening Christmas PTA** – Wednesday 4th December . Tracie Vass to book something and advise accordingly on Whats App.

15. **AOB.** None

Meeting closed at 8.45

Date of Next Meeting. Wednesday 6th November 2019. Children in Need Talent Night at 6.00 followed by the PTA meeting