

BALSHAW'S ASSOCIATION PTA – Charity Number 1176684

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 4th March 2020 AT 7.30PM IN SCHOOL

1. WELCOME AND PRAYER

Julia welcomed everyone to the meeting and Steve H opened in prayer.

PRESENT:- Julia Monks, Nicki Crompton, Steve Haycocks, Ann Brown, Tim Callaghan, Sue Crompton, Debra Delaney, Andy Hargreaves, Sharon Haworth, Heidi Thomas, Katrina Merry, Keith Woodcock, Ginny Woods

2. APOLOGIES:- Steve Lomax, Tracie Vass, Gill Hargreaves, Vicki Lansdowne, Jamie Macgregor, Jonathan Morgan, Michelle Riley, Cheryl Walmsley,

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9th JANUARY 2019

None

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Apologies received from the treasurer. Report will be presented at a later date. Advised balance currently in excess of £27,000

5. CLIMBING WALL

Repairs approximately £2064.38. Helmets £612 may not be required and this sum can be knocked off the total. School will organise training for staff. PE staff are enthusiastic. Discussions about how useful this will be not only in school but also outside the school day. Harness would need checking annually but costs would be minimal. Grant funding discussed previously (**ACTION** Steve H Is the funding available and can the monies be used for the climbing wall?) All members voted in favour of awarding necessary monies from PTA funds.

6. QUIZ NIGHT – Friday 20th March 7.30pm

As agreed previously we are changing to Friday night, with a 7.30 start. Heidi enquired as to whether we needed banners for the front of school. When we are planning the events for next year it will be discussed whether a 'Super Quiz' annually could be added to our calendar of events. We have raffle prizes already as cupboards have been checked.

(ACTION Steve H to email with embedded PDF)

7. EASTER BINGO

Prizes, books and dabbers we have. Advertisements have been done and we are ready to go.

(ACTION – Steve H to send email with embedded PDF)

1 Line. 2 lines and a full house.

8. SPRING FAIR

Steve H has booked mayor and mayoress to come. We donated to Derian House last year, discussed if are we doing this again or are we going to donate to Blood Bikes? Agreed £1000 donation again. (**ACTION** – Paula , could she contact them and ask if they could attend.)

Most here last year have confirmed. Inflatables - Ice Adventures (**ACTION** – Steve H to check if this is already booked or needs booking) Julia to sort gazebos with council (**ACTION** – Julia)

9. 2020 BIDS

All bids have been sent to PTA members to read prior to the meeting.

Drama - £2106 for a Lighting Desk. £2000 for staging. Monies will be required for replacing lights but no specific amount has been requested. 2 Lighting units would have an approx cost of £400.

Total £4506.

Music – Bid amended due to supplier issues. These instruments have been looked at and alternative has been found.

Nicki suggested the School Council be given monies to spend specifically on what the pupils would like for the school. (**ACTION** Steve H)

All members agreed to support and allocate funds to all bids.

We need photos and a notice board that promotes what we do and what we have funded in school - perhaps a board in the library or around school.

Announcements of the success of the bids to be done in morning briefing at school by Julia M. (**ACTION** Julia M to confirm)

10. AOB – Heidi has designed a PTA leaflet about what the PTA do and what events we run. These can be used at parents evenings. All members were in favour of using this. (**ACTION** Heidi)

Next Meeting to be held in school at 7,30pm on Wednesday 1st April 2020.

The meeting was closed at 20.36pm