

## **Balshaw's Association A.G.M. meeting held on Wednesday the 1st of October 2025**

### **Charity Number 1176684**

**Present - Polly Bidwell, Alice Derbyshire, Nicola Crompton, Steve Haycocks, Tim Callaghan and Ann Brown.**

**Apologies - Julia Monks, Steve Lomax, Heather Eato and Keith Woodcock.**

**Steve welcomed members and opened the meeting with a prayer.**

### **Annual General Meeting.**

1. **Apologies** - Noted.
2. **Matters arising from the A.G.M. meeting held on 2.10.2024** - None.
3. **Headteacher's Comments** - Steve explained to the meeting that Julia Monks has resigned as the Chairperson of the Association, due to increased work commitments. He told the meeting that he and Julia had joined the Association at the same time 11 years ago, that they had enjoyed working together and expanding the scope of the Association a great deal of change has happened during the years including introducing card readers, Facebook introduced to the Association, Winter Wonderland and of course Balfest. Steve said thank you to the Association members for their continued commitment to the school, stating that the events held during the school year ran efficiently because of the Association members assistance.
4. **Election of Chairperson 2025/2026** - Tim volunteered to become the Chairperson, He said he would undertake the position for a year and maybe would need help with the technical elements of the position.
5. **Election of the Treasurer** - Steve Lomax was provisionally elected as the Treasurer.
6. **Election of the Secretary** - Polly Bidwell was elected as the Secretary.
7. **Election of additional executive committee members** - Tracie Vass was provisionally elected as the Social Secretary. Nicola Crompton was elected as an additional committee member.
8. **Matters arising from the meeting held on Wednesday 10.9.25** - None.
9. **Review of Car Boot Event held on Saturday the 27th of September** - Members present at the meeting who attended the event, thought that even though the day was poorly attended, after discussion with people who attend regular Car Boot sales that the event should be held again and hopefully the event will become more popular in the future.

**10. Halloween Disco** - The disco will be held for Year 7 pupils on Thursday the 23rd of October between 6.00 and 7.30pm, Tim volunteered to purchase the rolls and hot dog sausages, Nicola offered to source the drinks, Alice volunteered to purchase the chocolate and sweets.

**11. Balfest** - Steve and Tim discussed the events for Balfest and agreed the spreadsheet needs to be updated for 2026 and the external stall holders need to be reviewed and preparations for the day to be started at the next meeting.

**12. Change of date for the next meeting** - Members at the meeting discussed the dwindling amount of members on the Association and decided that a change of date for the next meeting to the 27<sup>th</sup> of November to coincide with the Year 7 Intake evening would be beneficial, the meeting will start at 7.00pm and then interested parents/carers/etc will be introduced to the meeting, hopefully to recruit new members and maybe go on to socialise at an off school site (pub/meeting room) .

Meeting closed at 8.45pm.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> of November starting at 7.00pm.