Friends of Orton School

AGM

17.10.22 Minutes Start: 7pm

Present: Jo Hayward (Chair), Vicki Capstick (Vice Chair), Angela Tyson (Vice Chair), Bex Shelton (Treasurer), Megan Cotton-Dew (Secretary), Debra Capstick, Andrea Mounsey, Charlotte Robinson, Emma Pomfret

Apologies: Lisa Elliot, Gemma Lowis, Jenny Bowes, Gill Abram

Treasurer Report:

The total raised in the year to 31 August 2022 was: £2,443.16

The most successful fundraiser was Your School Lottery, raising £894.90 over the year. This was followed by the Farmers Market stall, selling potted bulbs, cakes and tea towels. The total raised during the day was £312.50 (although half of this was donated to the Ukraine DEC appeal), with after sales raising a further £116.41. The next biggest fundraiser was the Jubilee celebrations, adding £423.50 to the fundraising pot.

The total expenditure in the year to 31 August 2022 totalled: £2,797.98

The greatest expenditure is the FoOS contribution towards the residential trips, with a total of £1,400.00.

The closing balance at 31 August 2022 was £14,150.73.

This is represented by:

 Current Account:
 £10,243.88

 Savings Account:
 £3906.85

 Total = £14,150.73

There was a **deficit** of **£354.73** at the end of August 2022. However, there is a healthy amount in the bank and there haven't been as many fundraising events as in previous years.

The fundraising amount from the Fell Race is yet to be added to the accounts as it is a September event.

Chair's Report:

It's been a good year of getting back to 'normal', with a selection of positive social events for friends and families to attend. There is a healthy amount of money in the accounts and although it will be wise to keep a contingency in the bank there is still good amount available to spend.

With a core group of regular helpers hopefully we will continue to build good spirit in the community, which in turn could result in more support.

The WhatsApp group has proven a good way to keep in touch and update members quickly on developing events.

Thank you to all involved, including school staff for the use of the school facilities and for being available to lock up after events.

The plan is to spend time in January organising the fundraising schedule for the coming year. We will liaise with school to see if there are any projects for parents to get involved in.

Emma Pomfret added her thanks from all the staff and children at school, congratulating the committee for doing a good job in getting up and running again after Covid.

Election of Officers

Chair: Joanna Hayward was nominated for the position of Chair, by Debra Capstick. Seconded by Andrea Mounsey. Jo H agreed to hold the position of Chair.

Vice Chair: Angela Tyson was nominated for the position of Vice Chair, by Joanna Hayward. Seconded by Becs Shelton. Angela Tyson agreed to hold the position of Vice Chair. Vicki Capstick was nominated for the position of Vice Chair, by Emma Pomfret. Seconded by Megan Cotton-Dew. Vicki Capstick agreed to share the position of Vice Chair.

Secretary: Megan Cotton-Dew was nominated for the position of Secretary, by Debra Capstick. Seconded by Vicki Capstick. Megan C-D agreed to hold the position of Secretary.

Treasurer: Becs Shelton is stepping down as Treasurer due to time commitments and taking on the Parent Governor role. She will however stay in the position until a replacement is found.

There were no nominations for the treasurer role.

Any Other Business

Christmas Gift session for children at school.

In the past FOoS ran a Christmas gift service for the children at school. FoOS bought a selection of gifts suitable for mums, dads and siblings. The children could then choose what they wanted to buy for their family members, with a few FoOS committee members available to help them wrap and label their gifts. It was decided to try this again this year. There are some gifts still in storage so Jo H will have a look through what is available and discuss further at the next meeting.

Big Breakfast

This is now set for Sunday 20th November between 10am - 1pm. Jo H will contact Westmorland, Co-Op and possibly Slacks about donation of necessary food items. To be discussed further at the next meeting.

Class Donations

Each class was donated £300 last year from FoOS. This will happen again this year, as agreed by the FoOS members present.

Residentials

The FoOS members present agreed to contribute towards the cost of the residential trips going ahead this school year.

Next Meeting:

Monday 7th November at 7pm. To discuss – Big Breakfast, Christmas Hampers, Gift Day and Wreath Making.

Meeting concluded at 8pm