

24/01/19 - 13:30

PTFA Meeting

Attending

JW

DD

ZJ

CP

CPY

Mrs R

LA

JS

VW

JF

DD has stepped down from being Chairperson.

Who would like to nominate themselves for chairperson?

- CP
- ZJ

Vote has taken place, everyone attending the meeting voted apart from Mrs R who wanted to stay impartial. The votes were counted by JW and verified by DD. The new person who has been voted in as Chairperson is CP.

The bags for school, organised by CP, will be picked up tomorrow on 25/1/19.

Mrs H has been in contact with the other teachers and teaching assistants to ask what they would like to get from the PTFA and any suggestions on what we could do to get more support from the teaching staff, the response included:

Wanting to know about the upcoming events in advance. We are now going to have a section on the newsletter every 2 weeks (or every week if needed) to advertise up coming events, what we need, what help we need etc.

Email address for correspondence?

We do have an email address (even though quite new) which we will let the school know what it is. We are also on the website now which Jo and CP have been working together to arrange.

More notice/correspondence.

We do give parents as much notice as we possibly can (generally when we know that we are going to run an event) we also send out letters and texts and we started using the newsletter a lot for communication at the end of last term. We will endeavour to use this more.

Up coming fundraising events:

- Quiz night – Mr R said that she will speak to Mr B and another person she knows that might be interested in running a Quiz night for us – AN.
- Race night – Mrs R will speak to Mr B.
- Year 6 party – Dates discussed were 5th or 12th July, the date most likely to be 12th. Keep the food the same as last year with pizza, chips and cakes. Mrs R will speak to Mr S to ask him if his brother would be able to book the photobooth the same as last year and how much would that would cost.
- ZJ said about a sponsored bounce, Mrs R said that she would be fine with that being held at the school during school hours but we would have to have a look at the logistics of when each year would bounce, at what time and working around dinner in the hall. ZJ said she would speak to someone she knows regarding getting the bouncy castle.
- Summer fair – we looked at 2 dates, 21st June and 28th June, looking more towards the 28th. Looking at letting KS1, for example, leaving school 10 minutes early to help with the overflow of people waiting to get into the fair. Mrs R doesn't see a problem with this decision. We can look at this a bit more closely nearer the time.
- Movie night – look at doing separate nights for KS1 and KS2 children and see if we have enough helpers to have just the children and no parents or young children in and run it straight after school.
- Mother's day – DD said that last year we looked at buying daffodils to sell to the children for Mother's Day and maybe we could look at doing that this year.
- Ladies Night – This needs a lot of planning so maybe we can look at a night in May/June.
- Book/Bake/Uniform Sale – Date booked – 29th March 2019. We have said that we could take the uniform that is not collected from the lost property to help the school tackle the vast amount that they collect.
- CPY has said that even though it is a bit early, she would like to put forward a suggestion of Tea with Santa, she knows of a school that does it and is very popular, she will look into this and find out exactly how the school run it.
- JW suggested that maybe we could look at St Martins PTFA and that they appoint 2 parents from each class to be representatives for the school year and ask them to help when ever they can. This can help add to the members and also parents may feel they could help, even if it only to speak to other parents. ZJ suggested that a letter could be sent out to parents to detailed what would like to do. JW will speak to St Martins and ask how they pick the class members every year.
- DD has suggested in the past and again that she would like to have a thermometer to show how much we would like to raise and of course how much we have made so far after each fund-raising event.
- We asked Mrs R what they school would like for us to work towards and the 2 suggestions are the Panto again this December and Chrome books. She thinks it would cost the school about £5000 for 30 so maybe we could work towards half of the amount needed.
- We asked Mrs R about the Break the rule day that was mentioned at the last meeting. Mrs R said that at the moment she would like to have time to decide how best it would be to run this event.

- A Murder Mystery Night was also another fund raiser that was brought up.
- Mrs R informed us that we were paired with 3 other schools which the head teachers try to connect with each other. She said that she would reach out and speak to the head teachers to speak to their PTFA members and see if we could have 1 meeting with all 4 PTFA groups to share ideas and for support.

The Meeting ended at 14:45

Suggestions for next meeting:

- We need to make sure that someone is in charge of checking our emails. When we give out the email address we need to make sure that we are communicating with everyone that emails.
- Check that the PTFA page is up and running on the school's website.
- We need to confirm the dates for all the above.
- Look at Mother's day Daffodils.
- Any details anyone has managed to obtain regarding the above fund-raising events.