

Friends Association Meeting

20/06/2016

Attendance: Kirstie Pope, Esther Lacey, Fiona McClogan, Shane Wallace, Claire Nuttall, Rachael Davies

Apologies: Karen Hurley, Georgina Waterstone

Minutes: Minutes of last meeting agreed as true record. Process for approving AGM minutes clarified.

Financial Report: Esther provided report.

Discussion around use of funds from easy fundraising/easy search. Agreed Friends should maintain fund of £300 for next workshop, excess to be used in general funds. KP updated on this year's raffle - profit so far of £798, already significantly up on last year.

Summer showcase: Friends' refreshment sales contributed to around £500 raised for the Faculty of Expressive Arts.

Raffle: draw to be held next Tuesday. Winners to be asked for consent to publish names. Need to change tickets/promotion next year to include this consent. Pictures of raffle prizes have been sent to RD to tweet.

Meeting with Mr Davies: KP and SW met 07/06/2016 – see notes below on support for new school, mentoring, social media

Zumba: confirmed date (15/07/2016) and venue (aerobics room @ Mon Leisure Centre). Doors open 6.45pm, 1 hour session to start at 7pm. Punch House for drinks after.

ACTION: KP to see if invitation can be sent to Y6
CH to send relevant Twitter links to RD
FM to do flyer send to RD for twitter

Rugby Kit: donation for this put on hold pending further discussions with school.

Fundraising for New School: School is considering a project which would definitely give a focus for some larger scale fundraising by the Friends. FM and SW agreed to take lead in fundraising for this should the project become a reality.

Mentoring Pathways: Catherine Fookes, a parent at school, is keen help provide opportunities for students at MCS to have access to mentoring by inspirational people - she has ideas and contacts. Staff involved with Mentoring Pathways in school are aware.

Social Media: Mr Davies has requested additional information to take to governors.

ACTION: RD to draft a policy document
KP to check login details for current FB page
KP to check date of next governors meeting

Discussion around positives and negatives of FB vs Twitter
Need to include e-mail/twitter/FB details on all circulated material
KP needs support with drafting newsletters and other material.

ACTION: FM to ask if her contact would be able to support this
KP to look to remove KH name from easy fundraising page

QUIZ: October 7th. SW agreed to lead organisation. SW felt that some people attending quiz may not be at ease with mixing with others. Meeting agreed it would be a good idea to organise teams to help the interaction and the 'getting to know each other' process.

Need to explore deals available when purchasing alcohol.

ACTION: KP to send list of procurers to SW.
KP to contact Quiz provider to discuss options
FM to ask 'Dr Rock' if he can compare
SW to follow up on catering options to keep costs down

Promise Auction: Requires about 12 months to organise properly. Maybe fish and chip supper. Once we have a focus for fundraising (post quiz) need to start organizing.

ACTION: KP to look up info from last auction
CH to start looking into possible venues

AOB:

CN has offered to do food hygiene qualification
KP will circulate aims/objectives and constitution of FA for review/update
Need to look at 'strapline' to include on all correspondence (e-mail, twitter, FB)

New entrant evening, slip to be filled in as last year. KP, Kate Dennant, CH and SW to attend. **KP to circulate times**

Discussed links with and support for year 6 parents at feeder schools. Friends could ask what help/support would be appreciated through transition

NEXT MEETING: 14/09/16 6.30pm venue TBC