



Minutes of PTA AGM held on 1st July 2011

1. Present were Kathryn Winfield, Donna Thomas, Liz Powell, Amanda Quill, Lisa Collecott, Cherry Hulmes, Graham Wigley, Andrew Holmes, Sally Meyrick, Nick Batcheler, Fenella Francis, Rosemary Goodman, Paul Hulmes, Steph Noland, Julie Moen, Judith Hannam.
2. Apologies were received from Tim Cook.
3. A short silence took place.
4. Chair's report
Kathryn reported on the activities which have taken place over the last two years. See attached report – below.

Treasurer's report

Donna reported on the PTA finances. See attached report - below.

Nick expressed the PE department's gratitude for the netball posts bought by the PTA, which will be used in September by both the Junior and Senior schools. Tim Cook has additionally donated a video camera to the PE department.

5. Remaining funds
It was decided that the money remaining in the PTA account, £691.28, would be used to buy an additional ELMO for the Junior School, and to add to the grand piano fund. The Elmo was funded from Junior School second-hand uniform sales, which amounted to £468.75. Thanks went to Stephanie, who organises this. Andrew Holmes asked that future fundraising efforts might fund a keyboard for the new Junior School assembly hall.
6. New committee
Cherry will take the post of Chair, and Fenella as Vice-chair.
Secretary – tbc
Treasurer – tbc
7. Future dates for PTA involvement
Tuesday 6th September – Meeting new parents at tea party.
Possibly a second-hand uniform sale on this occasion.

8. Graham thanked the outgoing committee for their hard work, and for all the additional items the children have benefited from.
9. The meeting closed with a silence.

PTA Chairman's Report 1st July 2011

Being on the PTA and having the privilege of co-ordinating its work has been a very positive time.

Last year time was spent getting to know the school and the staff much more intimately than is possible without such involvement with the school. We also raised the profile of the PTA and raised a good amount of money. This year we were able to build on the work done in the previous year even though we were not able to bring all of our ideas to fruition.

We have been able to help the school with fund raising for a variety of projects:

- the Pirate Ship in the Junior School Play Area,
- 4 Elmos (viewers) in the Junior School,
- seating in the Year 7 common room
- the now fabled, and very beautiful Banners for Middle School Band
- Netball Posts
- Ukelele Cases

These purchases would not have been possible without the support of the PTA.

The PTA have also worked with staff on Open Day and New Parents Induction Day, talking to and meeting new and prospective parents and holding coffee mornings and social occasions to welcome New Parents to the school.

These occasions are very important to new parents because they have someone who can say things such as: “don’t buy new tracksuits, the children rarely wear them” or buy at least 3 ties because they loose them all the time. New parents have found it helpful to talk to established parents about routines for the buses: “make sure they leave their clubs a little early,” and just having a friendly face who smiles at them in the play ground.

The collection and sale of second hand uniform is extremely useful both for the parents and also because it provides a steady stream of income for the PTA. Our thanks and appreciation go to Christine Addison-Atkinson and to Stephanie Godfrey who for many years have headed up this sterling work and who will continue to do so.

I would like to thank everyone involved in the PTA this year, Lisa Collecott, and Cherry Hulmes for their work in particular with the junior school, the junior school Christmas fayre, coffee mornings and sports days. Amanda who organized the Middle School Band Banner Project, worked hard on Christmas pudding day and was always there and supportive. Liz, for being such an efficient secretary and noticing and acting on all the details that I missed, and for all her hard work. Donna for being such an efficient treasurer, keeping all the books up to date and being full of ideas. My thanks to all of them who made the PTA possible.

Being on the PTA has been a fantastic way of becoming more involved with, and supporting our children's school and the teachers who do such a good job in bringing out the best in our children. Thank you to Graham and Andrew for their support for their unstinting support for the PTA, and for the support of Nick Bacheler and Sally Meyrick.

I hope that the next group of parents who take on this vital role will find it as rewarding as we have done.

Kathryn Winfield

Chairman

PTA FINANCIAL STATEMENT SEPT 2010 - JULY2011

The opening balance at the beginning of the academic year was £5,048.71.

INCOME:-

1. Parental Contributions were £2,023.00 for the academic year 2010/2011.
2. Christmas puddings. Total sales of the Christmas puddings came to £697.00. Total expenses came to £172.93, generating a profit of £524.07.
3. Gift Wrap. Total sales were £457.50, generating a profit of £93.24.
4. Second-hand uniform. Total income for the senior school for the year, including the second-hand sale held on 23rd June, £574.75. Total income for the junior school £468.75. This gives a total profit for second-hand uniform for the year of £1043.50.
5. Quiz Night ticket sales carried over from the previous academic year £410.00.

Total income for the year - £4,093.81

EXPENDITURE:-

1. Music stand banners for Middle School Band £1,555.70.
2. Christmas card competition prizes £50.00.
3. Contribution to Year 7 Common Room seating £4,000.00.
4. Christmas gift expenses to staff £87.27.
5. Junior school Pochette Visualisers £1,546.30.
6. Junior school goal posts £468.91.
7. Ukulele bags for the junior school £117.00.
8. Senior school netball posts £594.00.
9. Sports day refreshments £32.06

Total expenditure for the year - £8,451.24

This leaves a final balance of £691.28