Phil and Jim School PTA

Meeting Minutes

7th October 2022

Present: Kim Mortensen, Hayley Smith, Prakruthy, Sophie Porfyrakis, Nathalie Toso-Leach, Imogen Hart, Hazel Shaw, Yvonne Green, Sarah Awuye, Emma Robinson, Lara Stokes, Ramon Granell

1. Introduction

All new members of the PTA introduced themselves (HS, NTL, YG, LS) and LS gave an overview of the role of the PTA.

2. School's spending priorities/projects for 2022-3

SA stated that the school budget at the moment is very tight, therefore would be grateful for any financial support the PTA can offer for the following:

- Recycling bins for classrooms
- Wishlists of texts from Maths and English
- Mural in EYFS playground
- Wall art (of an Oxford timeline) inside school, near the Yr 3 and 4 classrooms
- Improvements to the playground (SA is getting quotes for this)
- Increasing size of the school hall
- Updating the computer room equipment

The last three of these are timetabled for next summer. LS stated that once estimates are available for these projects, the PTA will look at them and get back to SA.

A list of those who would like a DBS check to facilitate access to school for PTA meetings and events was taken, and photo ID will be requested at a later date.

3. Diary of events 2022-3

Quiz Night – Friday 3rd Feb, provided there are no clashes. Dave Ingham has agreed to do this event.

Family Breakfast – will be a community-building event, and will require volunteers. Thursday 16th March.

Nearly New Sale – a fundraising event, and aim to reach beyond the school community. Saturday 6th May.

Summer Fete – need to avoid clashes with other schools' Summer Fetes and Summertown All Stars event. HS and LS will contact local schools. Provisionally Saturday 1st July.

Aristotle Cup – an inter-school football tournament, not traditionally organised by the PTA. SA will ask local school to gauge interest. Provisionally Saturday 8th July.

4. Autumn term priorities

School Calendar – PTA would prefer to have sponsorship from local companies rather than using PTA funds; however the Sponsorship PTA position is currently vacant.

Christmas cards – someone from PTA will explain the concept to the children at an assembly. LS will ask Lisa Guppy about appropriate timelines for production; aim to start after half term.

Christmas Bazaar – Friday 9th December, to coincide with Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch. Delia Secker-Walker will ask for volunteers via Class Reps nearer the time.

5. Communications

Current modes are: WhatsApp, ClassList, e-mail and Parentmail, ClassDojo, school newsletter, school and PTA websites. Parentmail and ClassList are those sanctioned by school.

SA stated that the PTA are welcome to use the newsletter for communications, and to submit it to the school office by midday on Fridays.

The Class Rep PTA position is currently vacant. PTA will encourage communication through the newsletter and ClassList.

6. Class Rep social

HS would like to host a social for Class Reps, and will be at The Anchor on Friday afternoons for the next two weeks if any parents want to meet.

7. AOB

Possible broadening of after-school clubs was discussed. School currently provide art, hockey, football and multisports clubs. SA stated that Luke Prew is investigating more options, and that parents are welcome to start other clubs. HS will ask other schools about the providers they use.

Meeting closed at 10am.