



Arnold Hill Academy Parent Teacher Association

Arnold Hill Academy PTA Meeting Minutes

Thursday 17th September 2015

7:30pm – 9pm Major Oak Rolleston Drive Arnold

Attendees:

Apologies

Paul Drury (Deputy Chair) Gemma Poulter Rosy Stocks Jane Dodge Fay Spencer Ben Taylor Natalie Lang Sarah Kinton Sarah Sewell Deb Campion Kath Terry Sharan Scott Mark McCrone	Charlotte Anderson (Treasurer)
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Minute taker: Ashley Brown (**Secretary**)

Welcome and apologies

3. Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the last meeting on 2nd July 2015 were accepted.

Matters arising

Action

<p>4. Feedback from department reps: Drama has requested funding for production lighting, they will source information and quotes to submit a funding request. Art has requested funding for modelling clay. Both departments will arrange to come to one of the PTA meetings to discuss their requirements. PE would like support for sporting events during the academic year and will keep in touch with Paul Drury regarding individual events. Senco and English department had no requirements. Science had been in contact to put forward an initiative which would get parents involved by talking about their careers linked with Science. This initiative could be opened up to all faculties and would get parents involved in careers advice for students. Nikki Drury will email Abigail Wilson the head of careers and Rachel Moore the head of Science to help set this initiative up.</p> <p>5. PTA expenditure for July to 17th September 2015 15th July 2015 £1,138.33 (Design and Technology) 15th July 2015 £1,268.67 (Design and Technology) 9th September 2015 £25 (itune Voucher) 9th September 2015 £338.30 (MFL French and Spanish Study Resources) Final balance to date £4528.94</p>	<p>Nikki Drury</p>
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<p>6. Rosy Stocks said the take up of stalls for the Food Fair was very slow and she was struggling to get deposits from stall holders although there was some interest. 7 stalls had been purchased but the feedback from stall holders was that the previous fair organised by the SLEC had left bad feeling due to the lack of communication surrounding cancelling the event, this has made stall holders very negative. The reputation of the Arnold Hill Fair would have to be earned again and proven.</p>	<p>Rosy Stocks</p>
<p>Positives were: seven stalls had been sold, Notts Nosh were also interested and Sarah Sewell said that Notts Bakers and Makers were also positive regarding the fair although she warned stall owners are used to applying for stalls 2 weeks before an event. The Crimson Tree in Sherwood was also suggested as a possible stall. Rosy invited members to contact her with any suggestions regarding companies or people who may like a stall.</p>	
<p>Sharan said perhaps the PTA could run a stall but other members had thought about this and applying and paying for a hygiene licence wouldn't be worth it for one event. It was suggested that PTA members could bake cakes to sell with coffee in the canteen area instead. Sharan said she would contact Greggs to see if they were willing to donate anything for the event.</p>	<p>Sharan Scott</p>
<p>Rosy Stocks said organising helpers for the day hadn't been assigned to anyone. Ashley Brown said she would adapt the previous event rota and ask for volunteers for the event. Kath Terry said she would be available all day to help. Students would also be asked to help at the event.</p>	<p>Ashley Brown</p>
<p>7. Deb Champion said she would look for advertising websites to promote the event and work with Ashley Brown to finalise the Food Fair poster design to use in the advertising. Stall finder and Spotted Mapperley were suggested by members.</p>	<p>Deb Champion</p>
<p>Deb Champion and Ashley Brown would push the event in school and ask the feeder schools to advertise it on their websites or email parents. The advertising information to parents would incorporate more information regarding the event listing stalls and events in more detail so people know what to expect.</p>	<p>Deb Champion</p>
<p>8. Natalie Lang asked for funding to be considered for A Level History text books. A new A Level syllabus had been brought in this year and subsequently a new text book was needed for this subject. Paul Drury explained that the funding guidelines detailed that funding of text books was against the guidelines and members felt uncomfortable funding essential items for learning, the PTA members voted to refuse the funding. Paul Drury agreed to contact the Head of History and Humanities to ask if the PTA could help with an alternative funding need to possibly free up the Humanities budget for the text books.</p>	<p>Paul Drury</p>

Next Meeting Tuesday 3rd November 2015 7.30pm-9pm Major Oak Rolleston Drive Arnold.