



Arnold Hill Academy Parent Teacher Association

Arnold Hill Academy PTA Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 25th March 2015

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

Attendees:

Apologies

Paul Drury (Deputy Chair) Gemma Poulter Charlotte Anderson (Treasurer) Chris Baker Jenny McLaughlan Clare White Faye Spencer Kathleen Terry Rosie Stocks	Emma Meldrum Gwen Morgan Sarah Sewell
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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 21st January 2015 were accepted.

Matters arising

Action

<p>4. Paul Drury wanted to mention how nice it was of Clare White to donate to the D of E for a student needing funding.</p> <p>5. Charlotte Anderson asked Ashley Brown to sign to approve the moving of all monies in the PTA accounts to one account.</p> <p>£280.25 was the total amount raised from both raffles at the Christmas concert and the "We Will Rock You" performance. £183.00 was raised at the "We Will Rock You" performance.</p> <p>The polo tops for the PE department had been paid for.</p> <p>The PTA bank balance is £7861.66.</p> <p>6. Feedback from departments: Jenny McLaughlan was asked by Tom Watkins in the Music department if the PTA could come up with any ideas of how to make the 16th July concert bigger and better. It was suggested that maybe a barbecue or tombola would be appropriate. She would get some more information from Tom on what he thought was possible and what had been set up already.</p> <p>The Art department has sent through a request for funding for a tracing box costing £120 this was voted on and the funding agreed. A cheque was issued by Charlotte Anderson. Ashley Brown would inform the department to go ahead and order the item.</p>	<p>Jenny Mclaughlan</p> <p>Ashley Brown</p>
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<p>Kathleen Terry said she didn't have a department and she would like to help out with a department that wasn't covered. Ashley agreed to look at the list and send an updated list to everyone as there had been quite a few changes recently.</p>	<p>Ashley Brown</p>
<p>MFL, ICT, Maths, Science and Languages have not given any feedback.</p>	
<p>Chris Baker said that she would inform heads of departments about the funding forms and the funding guidelines in the Monday staff briefing. Ashley had already informed all staff in the bulletin and by email.</p>	<p>Chris Baker</p>
<p>7. Website Feedback:</p>	
<p>The website PTA page was easy to access and informative but did need editing, Faye said we should ask Deb Campion to look into the facebook and twitter connections to see if they are relevant. Ashley to correspond with Deb.</p>	<p>Ashley Brown</p>
<p>8. Nobody came forward for the Chair position.</p>	
<p>9. Charlotte Anderson had spoken to Lee Roberts and the Head teacher regarding the craft fair, who said she was excited to still keep the event on the PTA calendar. It was decided by the PTA that they would like to run the event but would have a look into changing it to a food fair and have it nearer Christmas.</p>	<p>Charlotte Anderson</p>
<p>It was mentioned that the heads of department were not asking for money so was it worth the effort if there was no demand.</p>	
<p>Gemma Poulter said that it would help the school integrate into the community, support students in school and promote the PTA to parents and was valuable because of this.</p>	
<p>Chris Baker said that the PTA should get the site manager on board and incorporate relevant departments to help with the organisation. Lee Roberts had responded to Charlotte regarding what was needed for the event. She would respond after the meeting with the relevant information.</p>	<p>Charlotte Anderson</p>
<p>It was decided to run a food fair for two days and Rosie Stocks would look into available food stalls for the end of November. Charlotte Anderson and Chris Baker would start the coordination of the event with other members. The PTA would invite other departments to participate in the organisation and running of the event and participating departments would then benefit by getting a percentage of the takings. Gwen Morgan and Faye Spencer were linked with the departments but contact wouldn't be made until after the venue and date had been secured.</p>	<p>Rosie Stocks</p>
<p>Charlotte Anderson said that D of E members had benefitted in the past by assisting the setting up of the venue and would hope to do the same this year.</p>	



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10. To promote the PTA it was decided to approach the IQ Prints company at the academy to get a quote for a banner that could be used for the new intake parents' evening.	Ashley Brown
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Next Meeting Wednesday 13th May 2015 7.30pm-9pm Major Oak Rolleston Drive Arnold.