



**Arnold Hill Academy Parent Teacher Association**

**Arnold Hill Academy PTA AGM Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

6:30pm – 8pm 6<sup>th</sup> Form Centre – Arnold Hill Academy

**Attendees:**

**Apologies**

Deb Campion (Chair) Paul Drury (Deputy Chair) Jayne Gilmartin Sasha Nesterow Rachel Hebb Rosy Stocks Kath Terry Jo Widdowson	Matt Robertson (Head Teacher) Ashley Brown (Secretary) Charlotte Anderson (Treasurer) Andrea Jarman Hayley Lakin
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**Minute taker:** Deb Campion (Chair)

**1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

I am sorry I am not able to be with you this evening at the AGM. Unfortunately I have to attend to a long standing commitment. I want to thank you all for your hard work, effort and time put in, not just to the PTA but especially to make the recent Craft Fair such a success. When I visited the Craft Fair it was very impressive to see the scale of the event and later to hear about the amount of money raised to support our students at school. I wanted to let you know, on behalf of the students and staff at AHA, that your efforts are valued and much appreciated. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and good health in the New Year.  
 Matt Robertson

**Matters arising**

**Action**

<p><b>2. AGM</b>  <u>Chair's report</u> - Once again it had been a great year for fundraising and the PTA was delighted to have been in a position to meet several departmental funding requests. The Festive Market was the main fundraising event of the year and was a great success. The hard work and efforts of everyone involved were acknowledged, and special thanks were given to Jayne, Sasha and Deb. The number of members had dropped during the course of the year however, it was really positive to see many new parents at the meeting in September and it was hoped that membership would continue at that level.  <u>Treasurer's report</u> - To be presented at the next meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2018  <u>Committee nominations</u> – Deb Campion resigned as Chair, Charlotte Anderson resigned as Treasurer and Ashley Brown resigned as Secretary, all effective from the date of the AGM.          Chair - vacant position          Vice Chair - Paul Drury happy to continue in the role          Treasurer - vacant position          Secretary – vacant position          It was agreed an email would be sent to parents seeking nominations for the vacant positions in advance of the meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2018</p>	<p align="center">Deb</p>
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<p>3. <b>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</b> The minutes of the last meeting were yet to be distributed but were agreed in principle.</p>	
<p>4. <b>FUNDING REQUESTS</b> Mel Loyeau attended to present a request for £1800 for the purchase of 10 c-reader pens to support children with reading difficulties, and those with English as an additional language (EAL), in exams. The pens had been trialled and had been a great success. This request was to supplement two existing sets of pens, one of which had been purchased through a parental donation. Mel was asked what the impact would be if the PTA agreed to partly fund the request and confirmed that the Inclusion faculty would cover the shortfall. The funding was discussed put to a vote and agreed. The members present authorised partial funding of £1000 for the request. Deb Campion would notify Mel and the Finance department.</p>	<p>Deb</p>
<p>5. <b>DEPARTMENT REPS</b> – Following the meeting Paul had compiled the following list of reps. All departments had been contacted by their PTA rep. Andrea Jarman - Business and Computing Emma Coffey - SENCO Hayley Lakin – English Jo Widdowson – Science Kath Terry – Humanities Kevin Coffey - Technology and Construction Paul Drury – PE Rachel Hebb - Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) Rosy Stocks – Arts Sasha Nesterow – Maths</p> <p>Appointments should be considered for reps for the Sixth Form and the Pastoral Team.</p>	<p>All</p>
<p>6. <b>FESTIVE MARKET REVIEW</b> Positive feedback had been received from stallholders with just a couple of negative comments relating to the number of visitors, and chairs between the stalls being too close to each other. Special thanks were given to the cadets who everyone agreed did an amazing job and were an absolute credit to the Academy. The addition of the choir and music were also seen to be assets to the event and should definitely be included/ expanded upon next year. It was agreed that more help was required at the very start of the event and that consideration should be given to the time stallholders could come on site to set up. It was felt that Sunday was a much better day to run the event, and Deb had already contacted Gedling Borough Council to check the date of their Christmas market and lights switch on in Arnold to try and prevent a clash next year. All agreed that the name of the event should revert to Craft Fair.</p>	

It was suggested that future Craft Fairs could be run in house by staff in school, this would free the PTA up to focus on other fundraising events and activities for the Academy. This would potentially require a committee to be formed in school and representatives from all faculties and business areas would be needed. Any money raised would then be distributed by that committee rather than by the PTA. The PTA felt this was a sensible suggestion and gave their support to this approach.

7. **WEBSITE** – Nothing to update.

8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** – None.

9. **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS:**

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2018

**ALL TO BE HELD IN THE SIXTH FORM CENTRE, 6.30PM – 8.00PM**