



Minutes of AGM

Wednesday 11th November

Attendees

Catherine Askham, Tracy Harby, Julie Vincent, Anna Martin, Angela Galloway, Stephanie Bradley, Jo Eyre, Perri Calderbank, Pat Munt

Apologies

Jane Harrison, Charlotte Shephard, Naomi Milner, Claire Hennessy, Paula Taylor, Jill Dyson

Finance Update - Perri

- £1080 has been donated towards the signs
- There is £1200 left in the bank but £850 of this has been allocated to going towards Christmas parties, lottery prizes up to August 2011 and the garden
- SOS has received £75 from the Oughtibridge Gala and £50 from the Wesleyan Chapel for using the school.
- Biscuit sales raised £50
- Halloween quiz raised £9!
- There is £422 left to spend.
- TH advised HSBC has accepted her £ 4 £ request and the school should be receiving £500 within the next few weeks. It was noted that a few parents also work at HSBC and would be worth trying to get them involved in events so they could also send in an application.
- PM requested money towards reading books.

Election of Officers

- Chairperson - CA proposed by PC, seconded by TH
- Treasurer - PC proposed by AG, seconded by JV
- Joint Secretary - TH/JE proposed by CA, seconded by
- The AGM will be moved to the first meeting in September from 2011
- No one came forward for the shadowing of Treasurer role, however CH said she would do it if no one else would. To be assessed in the new year when CH knows what her workload will be like..

Questionnaire - following orienteering event - Stephanie/Julie

- SC told the group the kids loved the orienteering event but the turnout was poor. She and JV put together a questionnaire to find out why people didn't turn up
- The questionnaire wasn't sent out because PM wasn't happy with some of the items and was concerned how parents would react if SOS didn't take their ideas up
- PM also suggested selling tickets for future events
- The group discussed running smaller events at a weekend and there was a split decision between who would be happy to do this. PM stated the school would need to be clean after an event at a weekend.
- JV explained the reasoning behind the questionnaire. It was to get feedback about the events we run and not a criticism of the way we run them
- JE suggested linking a questionnaire to the AGM as the group had agreed it was too late to send this questionnaire out now.
- PC suggested a stamped envelope to encourage parents to respond.
- CA agreed to send a questionnaire out linking to AGM with a positive slant on it though.
- JV suggested a sweetener for returning the questionnaire
- JV and SC to create the questionnaire.

Easy fundraising - Jo

- £17.43 has been raised so far.
- JE informed the group about various ways it the site could be advertised - link on bottom of parentmail, on the schools website, a referral scheme where SOS would get 20% of the referred parties raised amount, stickers could be sent home, laminated credit cards, changing the schools search page, advising businesses about it.
- CA told the group about the extra step needed to select SOS from the search page.
- It was agreed to put a reminder in the Friday's newsletter, the termly newsletter, put a link on the school website and put posters on the gates up to Christmas as this is the time the group thinks the most amount will be raised.

Newsletter Update - Jo

- JE has started the newsletter and will be sent out shortly and will include details of the £ 4 £ scheme and the Easyfundraising website.

Christmas Hamper - Catherine

- AM has bought a £30 voucher from Crawshaws for £20 and will go shopping in Marks & Spencers for the remaining items at the end of November.
- Fairtrade products were discussed as they were popular with the parents. JV suggested Co-op for Fairtrade products.
- AM agreed to bring the items into school on 30 November

- Raffle tickets will be available from Monday for TH and JE to perforate and put into envelopes respectively. These need to be back within 2 weeks.

Christmas Puddings - Jill

- Orders in excess of £500 have been placed with a £122 profit.
- CA advised there will be £100 worth of puddings left over from the case. These will be promoted to the new starter and will let all parents know about the extra puddings.

Ladies Night - Spring Term - Catherine

- CA informed the group about previous Ladies nights where various beauticians came into school, tickets were sold which included 10 minute slots with the beauticians and also a glass of wine.
- CA asked the group to think for the next meeting to discuss
- PC said the last night didn't raise a massive amount but a different set of people came to it.

AOB

Buns - CA

- The making and selling of buns for Africa was very successful that SOS may try this at Easter and split the profit between SOS and a local charity.

Event folder -JV

- JV thanked everyone for their emails regarding the event folder but hasn't had chance to look at them as she had just moved house.

Coloured Logo

- TH and JE asked CA for the coloured jpeg image of SOS logo.

Date of Next Meeting - Wednesday 13th January 2010