

The Minutes from the Cockwood PFA Meeting on Thursday 25th February 2016 at 7:30pm

Present – Beck Tallamy (Chair), Jane Hirst, Charlotte Wilkins, Dan Wilkin, Clair Campbell, Becky Lawrence, Jodie Butler and Claire Lowton

1. Apologies – Vicky Rochelle, Toni Smith and Adele Jeffs

2. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting –

Previous minutes were agreed and signed off by Beck.

3. Treasurers Report including updates

Beck is due to go to the bank next week to check that all the paperwork has been completed for Becky Lawrence to take over the Treasurer's role from Beck. The current balance is £8,883.27. The TV has been purchased and installed in Class 2 and Mr Harben has said it has made a big difference in class already and the cost was less than expected. Allocated funds have included TV for Class 2, rocket workshop for Class 3, M & M productions for the whole school, Escot trip for Class 2, swimming lessons, tennis lessons and the leaver's contribution. The available funds are £6,735.39

Mrs Jago has managed to secure a grant for the tennis lessons again and another grant of £1,600 which the school will purchase 5 more ipads. The school will now have 35 ipads which will cover a full class. Thanks went to Mrs Jago.

The boat and the summer house/shed have now found new homes and the PFA have received £65 in donations.

4. Requests for funding

The school have asked for funds to purchase equipment for the playground (scooters, benches) as the boat and summer house/shed have gone. It was agreed for £800 to be allocated.

It was agreed for the tennis to be part funded again as Mrs Jago has secured a grant for this activity.

Mrs Curry has asked for funding for the whole school to go on a trip for next term, this has been facilitated and funded previously in the past and the children have had a fantastic time. It was agreed to fund some of the trip.

Class 3 are having a curtain made for their cupboard and Tall Amy have quoted £120. The PFA have agreed to fund this amount.

Mrs Frewin, Mrs Hannaford and a few other parents are doing the 'Rock Solid' challenge in March and have asked if the PFA will fund the tshirts which need to be a certain material. The tshirts cost £10 each and there are 16 adults. This was agreed and they have raised a large amount of money when they completed the Great West Run in October 2014.

5. Succession Planning

Beck is working on a PFA handbook to pass to the new team as this will be the last year that Beck and Jane will be the Chair and Vice Chair of the committee. If anyone is interested in these positions or would like more information about the PFA committee please see Beck or Jane. The titles are only in place as the PFA is a charity and has to abide by set standards/rules.

6. Charity Bingo 2016

This is held at the Langstone Cliff Hotel and was represented by Jodie Butler. This is a monthly event with 18 other charities attending. Jodie is happy to take the lead on this event and guarantee a table of 12 to attend the bingo evening and representing Cockwood School. Thanks went to Jodie.

7. Spring Term Events

Book Sale

The Second hand book sale is scheduled for Thursday 3rd March 2016 (World Book Day) after school held in the playground. Book prices will be from 10p - £1.

Friday 4th March 2016 will be non-school uniform and children will be asked to bring in a donation of chocolate for chocolate bingo instead of £1 donation.

Cake Sale

Emma Butler is leading on this event scheduled for Wednesday 23rd March.

Chocolate Bingo

This is scheduled for Friday 18th March 2016 at St Mary's Hall 6 - 8pm. The PFA need helpers for setting up before the event, helping on the stalls and tidying up at the end of the evening. Please see any of the committee members if you are able to help. Hot & cold drinks, red & white wine and sweets will be sold on the night.

8. AOB

None.

9. Date for next meeting

Thursday 21st April 2016 at 7.30pm at The Anchor.