

Friends of Lavant Minutes

29th Jan 2018

Present: Claire Griffiths, Michelle Berry, Elaine Sheppard, Rosie Freshwater, Katy Wellar, Mel Belderson, Lorraine Foster, Polly Peart

Apologies: Claire Evison, Emma Thompson, Kim Colborn, Rachel Ellams, Sally Till,

Welcome

1. Minutes – Approved

OUTSTANDING ACTIONS:

Jennie has spoken to Aldingbourne and they will make the bike shed for wren class

ACTION: Polly Peart still to sell items of high value from the Jumble Sale on eBay

ACTION: Rosie to ensure minutes go out on school email as well as posted on social media

ACTION: Rosie and Michelle to speak to Cheryl about DBS checks

2. Correspondence

Thank you letter from Lavant Village Hall for Christmas Fayre attendance by the school

Letter from Lavant Village Hall requesting a couple of members of the committee join the committee for the Summer Village Fair. It was agreed that the Friends cannot commit to additional time for this without negatively effecting our own committee due to stretched resources.

ACTION: Claire to let the Village Hall know we are unable to give additional time to sit on the committee for the Summer Fair.

Letter received from HMRC informing that we should be able to claim money back from small donations under £20.

ACTION: Claire to investigate how we can claim money back on small donations

Letter received from Goodwood confirming the donation of the following for fundraising activity

2 x Tickets to Goodwood Revival

2 x Tickets to Goodwood races on the 26th August

3. Financial Overview

Business Account = £7919

Savings Account = £3507

ACTION: Michelle to transfer funds from the business account to the savings account

School Disco raised £287.66 profit

School Christmas events raised a total of £1843 profit

Tea Towels raised £133 profit

4. Christmas Fair review

All feedback on Christmas Fair positive. It was well attended and ran smoothly.

There were additional people to help clear up which made a huge difference

Suggestions for improvement for this year is to have coloured stickers based on age to give children entering the Grotto

Some children received last years presents in the Grotto which led to a little disappointment as this years presents were of higher value

ACTION: Friends to make sure all presents this year are of the same value

5. KS1 Film Night

The recent KS1 film night went well and the children were well behaved. The event raised £55.20

ACTION: At next film night make it clear that siblings can also attend

ACTION: Hold a KS2 film night on Monday 5th March

Consider in the future holding film night for both ages groups in different parts of the school on the same night.

Colour Run

Claire suggested another colour run this year as it was very much enjoyed by the children last year. However, with Lavants Got Talent and other plans for the summer term Mr King requested the colour run is held every OTHER year

6. Scooter Raffle

We are very lucky to have 2 signed Jordan Clark Scooters to raffle to raise money for the school. The following was agreed:

Small scooter to be raffled off to Lavant school children & siblings only.

Tickets to be in the region of £2/3 each

Tickets to be sold at Mother's Day Sale

Raffle will be drawn at Lavants Got Talent.

ACTION: Claire to ask Jordan to attend LGT and donate t-shirts or posters as runner up prizes

Larger scooter to be raffled off online through Virgin Giving so anyone anywhere can enter

Tickets to be £5 each

ACTION: Claire to set up online raffle and get Jordan to share online with his followers

7. Dates for this term

Cake Sale 23rd Feb

Jumble Sale 3rd March – Set up in the hall from 2.45 on the Friday – helpers needed

Mother's Day Sale 9th March – within school hours

Lavants Got Talent – 23rd March

Rosie happy to host again

ACTION: Get an alcohol license for LGT

ACTION: Claire to ask Katie Hennessy about a judge from the Theatre

ACTION: Claire to investigate whether Rupert Rowbotham might be able to judge

ACTION: Claire to ask the Gentleman from the Lavant players to judge again

8. AOB

Many parents have been asking about how they can support the school financially if they cannot afford the time to help.

ACTION: Michelle to do a bag drop to all parents reminding them about the 100club to encourage more sign ups. Perhaps also to wait at the school gates with forms for people to fill in there and then.

ACTION: Rosie to put a list of all the items and support that the Friends have covered financially in the last year.

ACTION: Michelle to provide Rosie with a list of all items bought in last 18 months by the Friends

Polly Peart very graciously agreed to take on the running of school discos from the Freshwaters when they leave the school at the end of this year

ACTION: Rosie to write up full instructions and make a note to ask Jon Jolly to play classic dance tracks (Macarena, conga) and have people in the hall responsible for encouraging children to join in.

Funding request from Mr King

Friends to fund the purchase of another Touchscreen TV

Friends to subsidise school trips for each class to allow them to take the children on more expensive trips

ACTION: Mr King to confirm how much each class will need

Next Friends meeting: 12th March