

Minutes of FOBS Meeting, 24th January 2019

1. Attendees: Katie Haycock, Rachel Locke, Kirsty Righton, Therese Griffin
2. Apologies: Louisa Holloway, Hannah Bridgewater, Clare Head, Iona Corbett, Marie Westmoreland, Heather Childs, Christian Hilton.
3. The Minutes from the last meeting (the AGM) were agreed to be a true record
4. Matters arising from the minutes:
 - It was suggested that the information regarding what money had been raised, spent and available for spending could be communicated in a succinct table format.
 - **Action: Kirsty Righton to look at pulling the numbers out of the AGM report into a table format and circulate to those present at the meeting for comment.**
5. Finance Update: The treasurer was absent. The following figures were communicated:
 - There is C£18k in the FOBS bank account
 - £9k of this is currently ring fenced for the development of the outside area
 - £3k of this is ringfenced for the costs associated with bonfire night
 - £500 has been committed (at a previous meeting) to tools for the school garden
 - C£5.5k is available to support the school
6. Requests for funds: Katie Haycock communicated that the school intend to theme their requests for funding around certain priorities each academic year; this year “The Arts” – encompassing art, music, dance and drama is a priority along with sport.
 - A request has been received for £3,000 for Astroturf for the corner of the playground behind the shelter so it can be used all round. Those present at the meeting agreed to allocate funds to this based on the longevity of the item once in place and the imminent use of it for children currently at the school.
7. Upcoming Events this term:
 - Ferret Racing: Rachel Locke outlined
 - ✓ The needs to sell tickets and know numbers by 2nd February; the idea of naming a ferret was mentioned to get children interested
 - ✓ The needs for cakes to provide dessert on the night
 - ✓ Sponsors are needed for 2 of the races; Louisa Holloway is going to follow up with Insight Bookkeeping and Accounting Services
 - ✓ 6 helpers are needed for the event, 3 have been found, 3 more are needed.
 - **Action: Class reps to encourage ticket sales and cake donations**
 - **Action: Louisa and Katie to follow up on sponsorship**
 - The March of St George – St George’s church are imitating Fobtober during March with the March of St George. It was discussed that the school could support with some activity, possibly a mural of loose change.
 - **Action: Katie to discuss with Mr Hilton and Ms Childs**
 - Rags to Riches – clothes collection in March
 - Easter Raffle: a raffle to be drawn at the Easter Event on 5th March

- **Action: Katie Haycock to secure prizes and get tickets printed**
- Easter Event: Friday 5th April after school – some kind of Easter Event was discussed. Rachel Locke volunteered to co ordinate a bake off element, Easter bonnet parade was discussed.
 - **Action: Katie Haycock to speak to Marie Westmoreland about leading this event**

8. Other ideas

- It's the schools 50th Anniversary on the current site in 2020; some kind of celebration could be organised
- Brailes Show have approached FOBS to organise the Brailes Show After Party on 9th August. Those present at the meeting liked the idea but were doubtful of commitment on that evening. A lunch/afternoon event was suggested as a possible alternative – possibly a barn dance.
- A ladies treat night in May or June was suggested along with a summer disco.

9. Any other business:

- The film night: it was suggested that the film chosen wasn't interesting to all attendees. It was agreed that choosing a film suitable in terms of the ages ranges viewing, the length and the likelihood of previous viewings was not easy. It was also discussed that it was the best behaved film night so far which was possibly because many of the children hadn't seen the film before.
- The method of communication was raised: communication will mainly be done face to face or via a termly newsletter, class reps and a Facebook messenger group.
- Some initiatives around school dinners will be going ahead in school to engage children and their families in the health and social benefits of eating a cooked meal round a table
- Next academic year Cotswold First Aid could be asked to come and do Mini Medics again.

10. The date of the next meeting was set for Wednesday 6th March at 7.30pm at The George in Brailes.

11. There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.30pm.