

Grange Primary PTA

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 11th October 1:45pm, including AGM

Present: Helen Wiseall, Jo Lyons, Lauren Simmons, Karen Brooks, Paula Berg, Lyn Corderoy, Wendy Murphy, Lindsay Treadgold

Apologies: Marie Snowsill, Lucy Ford, Jo Howard, Mark Boulter, Marie Martin, Leah Dell, Sue Altin-Tyrer

All in the meeting introduced themselves.

AGM

Wendy issued the Chair's Report to all. On behalf of the school, Lyn formally thanked the committee and all helpers for their support and contribution over the past year, which is greatly appreciated, as it is only with this input that many school projects are funded and accessible.

The Chair's Report will be published on the school website.

The Treasurers' Report was not available due to illness, but will be provided before the next meeting.

Several committee members stepped down from their positions at the meeting. All positions were agreed as follows: -

Chair – Wendy Murphy. Proposed by Lin Corderoy, seconded by Karen Brooks.

Deputy Chair – Lauren Simmons. Proposed by Wendy Murphy, seconded by Paula Berg.

Treasurer – Paula Berg. Proposed by Wendy Murphy, seconded by Helen Wiseall.

Secretary – Karen Brooks. Proposed by Wendy Murphy, seconded by Paula Berg.

The Deputy Treasurer position is currently vacant. It is understood that prior to the AGM, Sue Altin-Tyrer had expressed an interest in this position, but after the meeting has now decided to remain as a volunteer only.

This concluded the formalities of the AGM.

Finances

There is approximately £4,000 in the bank account.

Lyn requested £90 to cover t-shirts for the school choir and Helen requested £100 for footballs for the school club. These were agreed and will be purchased.

It was agreed that the class fund of £150 will be available for each class to access as they wish through the year, to allow them to take time deciding on the best way to spend it.

A parent, Lee Johnson, has expressed willingness to be the PTA Funding Officer, responsible for sourcing additional funding and accessing match-funding opportunities. Wendy to make contact and provide details of funding streams we are already aware of (i.e. Ford, B&Q).

Playground project

This is progressing well and will hopefully be ready in the next week or two. The balance invoice will be settled by school and refunded by the PTA.

An official opening ceremony will take place. Wendy to source red ribbon and 'children must be supervised by an adult' signs.

Upcoming events

Helen suggested finding a date for the annual Quiz Night. Friday 8th February was agreed.

Christmas party – the format was debated as feedback had been received about the year 3 & 4 party and whether it should be a disco or party. Wendy to speak to Phil about incorporating more party games and consider including Santa for this age group. Karen to book Santa suit for 14th December.

Movie Night – discussion around the next film – Wendy to put a vote on Facebook.

Fundraising ideas

Harry Potter Event – Lyn suggested making one of the movie nights into a Harry Potter themed event with craft activities, buffet and screening of movie. Children to come in costume. All agreed a great idea and to make Friday 25th January movie night into HP event. Ticket price £10 per child to include crafts and food.

Karen to check which Harry Potter costumes in stock room.
Letter/poster to go out first week of January to promote.

Make the Rules Day – Wendy put forward a fundraiser where kids pay to break the rules – wearing a bow or hair gel, trainers etc. It was agreed this would take place on the last day of February term – Friday 15th February. Lyn to canvas children's opinion in assembly for rule suggestions then decide on 5. Each rule broken will cost 50p.

Date of next meeting

Tuesday 4th December at 6:30pm.