

PFSM Minutes
April 30, 2010

Present:

Becky, Chair
Debbie, Treasurer
Sam, Secretary
Katherine Douse
Amanda May
Sarah Prince
Pete Burrows-Bryant

Apologies:

Susan Jenkins
Lisa Dawson
Kay
Jacqui Gaskin
Helen Hulbert

Agenda items:

1. Treasurers Report

The Easter disco was a success and we made a profit of £555.38p. The Easter egg hunt was also a success, although KS2 did not enjoy the anagrams, so not to be done next year. KS1 enjoyed the picture puzzles. We made a profit of £55. Total profit for the year: £4830.75p.

Mr Scarrett would like £206 for the Huff and Puff equipment and he will provide a receipt for the next meeting. The equipment will benefit all pupils at the school.

2. School Disco

There were behaviour issues with KS2 which led to a couple of incidents. Pete had spoken to Mr Lee and he will attend the next disco. We require more parents and a teacher to be present at the next disco, to offer more supervision.

3. Swimming Pool

Becky has emailed Julie Jarmin, a school governor, we are still waiting for an update. There is a possibility work may happen this term, the school are looking in to the feasibility of keeping it as a swimming pool. The trim trail will be installed soon ready for September.

4. Fundraising Workshop

Becky attended the meeting at Instow School on the 17 March. Discussed; the NCPTA – National Confederation of Parent Teachers Association. The workshop was very informative and many schools were represented all sharing best practice. We have decided to join the NCPTA as it is believed we will benefit greatly from the information available on the website. Package also includes Marketing and Licencing help.

Also discussed whether or not we earn £5000 per annum and if so we must register as a charity. Becky to look in to benefits of this as there is alot of work involved in registering. The NCPTA can help with registration.

NCPTA costs £62.90 per annum, they also have an advice line and offer insurance

Trust funding: free subscription worth over £180, but may have to registered as a charity to benefit.

5. Raising the profile of the PFSM

Possibly send out more flyers and raise our profile in the newsletter, keep a constant presence to raise awareness. As a group we need to be more structured. Discussed different ways to attract parents to the PFSM: join in on the open day/evening. We should be targeting the Reception and year 1 classes, this can be done at the induction given to reception class at the beginning of the school year, perhaps hand out promotional material. We need to improve our marketing strategies. Sam to redesign our logo and letterhead. Perhaps we could have a wine and nibbles evening to attract more parents. Encourage parents to leave suggestions on the school website for fundraising ideas. Different fundraising ideas: Curry night, Cabaret, live band night. We need to improve our marketing strategies. Update website with photos of how the money is spent and events. It has been suggested that kids could attend the meeting, Sarah has kindly offered to entertain the children while parents attend the meeting.

6. Quiz Night

May 14, 8pm

Book a table and take names. Raffle prizes are needed and can be recycled at summer fete if necessary. Pete to get winners wine. All quizzers to bring own drink and nibbles. Debbie to check we have enough raffle tickets in shed. Becky to ask for raffle prize donations in newsletter.

7. Summer fete

Possibly get a bouncy castle, and also discussed, ideas for a theme for summer fete. Fancy dress competition, split in to age groups for prize giving.

Possible date for fete: 26 June, Saturday; 11-4pm. Or July 2

Posters, flyers and banners to be organised. Sam to look into a reusable large banner for railings. placard to be erected in prominent places on the roadside.

Ask parents to place advertising in their gardens.

Possible stalls: lollies in the sand, lollipop lottery

Sweet jar stall

Art gallery

Beer tent

Soak the teacher

Face painting

Cake stall

BBQ

Bouncy castle

Splat the rat

Roll a penny

Mini manicures

Tattoo stall

Chocolate fountain

Score a goal

Raffle

Tombola

Guess the name of the teddy

Ask the fire brigade and police to attend as an attraction.

Pete Polson from the sea cadets has requested a stall, to pay for a table or give a percentage of their takings on the day. This could attract more members of the public. We could also ask them to hand out flyers for the fete.

We need a sign-up sheet to enlist parents help.

Other Business

PFSM email account, Becky to check it

Sarah to ask Bob and Jason about setting up an email account

Sparkle day on 24 June, volunteers needed for fence painting, pots, murals, tidying up, volunteers must be CRB checked. All to be advertised in the newsletter.

Summer Disco, Friday, July 16

It has been suggested that lighting is bought to illuminate the car park after the disco.

Perhaps a freestanding halogen spotlight.

Previous fundraising ideas

www.easyfundraising.com

www.jewelleryrecycling.org

www.musicmagpie.com collect cds and dvds to raise funds for the school. Amanda to look into it.

Next meeting: May 24, 6.30pm at the school