

AGM – PTFA Minutes

Date: 12th November

30 people dialled into the call

Attendees included

Headteacher: Am Rai

Chairperson: Nada Choudhry

Co Secretary: Catherine Dickie

Treasurer: Aasif Ebrahim

Co Treasurer: Adele Golding

Social Co-Ordinator: Sabrina Ashraf

Social Co-Ordinator: Hellen Khaffaf

Class Rep Co-Ordinator: Vera Rodrigues

Claire Jones

Nada – Chair

Stepping down as Chair and handing over to Afshan Malik.

Thanks to Emily, Rachel and Sarah for all the work they have done today.

Aasif Ebrahim – Financial report

A comparison to 2019 was shared. We managed to raise £10k in FY 19/20 but this was £20k shy of the usual profit.

There are some funds coming in via the PTFA account from parents. Aasif needs to go through these to check what they are. Aasif is proposing that we pledge £22k+£25k for last year. This was agreed in Sep2019. We could pledge £20k again and could possibly give the school another £10k once we understand the school expenses.

2020 pledges 22k standard + 25k one off payment = 47k

2021 Pledge = £10,000

We need to confirm the expenses – we can discuss with the school what was not charged in 2020 due to Covid restrictions e.g. Dance classes,

Mr Rai – My understanding by end of last academic year most of what was provided has been committed with little left over. We're only looking at two things for this year – we need more money for books approximately £5k and we need more money for some outside and indoor equipment £3k e.g. matts. We haven't considered asking for more than that because of the challenges connected to Covid-19. The commitments of parents to fundraise is also impacted. We don't expect much will happen in terms of normal activities

If the furlough scheme has been extend to march, we not expecting change in the current situation.

The school is in a challenging situation financially as we've not had any additional funding to cover Covid-19 related expenses – extra cleaning, extra staffing. Only schools who had been in deficit received some funds. We are stretched internally as well.

We don't want to put too much pressure on the PFTA. If we optimistically can come up with events that will make extra fund, we can relook at pledges.

Anything booking for dance or skills building have all been cancelled.

Nada – as 3 years are out for the non-uniform day, can we please hold another non-uniform day for years 4,5,6?

Mr Rai – We haven't had kids cases of covid-19 but we've had a few case impacting kids, we expect to have more cases over the coming days. Because some people are taking their kids to get test but are A symptomatic. We can push events or fund raising we can consider them but we expect things to change again.

Voting of the Committee Vacancies.

Mouncef Bencherif – voted in a Chair

Aasif – voted in as Treasurer – Fahad Sayood will shadow this role

Press Secretary –

Felipe Grazziotin has offered some help with the website.

Aasif to share what we have on the old site.

Social Secretary: Sabrina Ashraf with the support of Hellen Khaffaf.

Vera Rodrigues will take on the role of class rep coordinator from Sarah Mitchell.

Other roles will be advertised again to parents.

Special events

Uniform sales took place this year in a socially safe way. Massive thank you to Nada for everything she has done over the past couple of years.

The team used a google forms to do the selling. We had 15 volunteers to wash and prepare the clothing and create an inventory list.

Some taking payments in the park. We hope to do it again this year. We've said if people can hold on to the school uniforms in the New Year. We had to deal with the backlog of uniforms in the shed.

It brought in £400+ allowed parents to recycle clothes too.

Sabrina Gross asked about an idea to have a shop once or twice a week. There are lots of restrictions e.g. couldn't have a table in the park. Some parents asked if we could maybe store the clothes in the old caretakers shed. Maybe in the spring we can look again at having a more regular shop. Now we have it all stored and logged it will be much easier.

We also have a fitness challenge. Claire – this was to replace the Ealing half marathon but with that cancelled we decided to do an October fitness challenge. Thanks to Vera for her assistance. Thanks to all the parents who donated. £1400 incl. gift aid. Parents are still donating. Grimshaw wanted to support us and have donated £1000k to almost match what has been made so far.

International fair - Afshan

We could not do the food fair as usual. Instead we are looking to make a recipes booked which will be compiled with recipes from parents. Discussion took place about whether we could include advertising from local restaurant and businesses. We need to think about the price of the book depending whether e-book or hard copy.

The PTA could fund the printing of the book.

Nada to share details of Beth for printing with Afshan. Once we have options we can decide what to do.

Calendars

- We will need to take payment online. The school has agreed to distribute the via the classrooms. We usually sell at £5-6 pounds.

- Agreed to try to do this through the website to ensure we can communicate with those parents via that site.

Christmas disco

- Trying to find someone else to take over the organisation. We are hoping that we can do something to replace this.

Trees direct have been in touch to say they will donate £5 to the PTFA for every one tree they sell via the PFTA promotion with a unique code that gives £5 off each order. Nada will speak to them and send an email out to parents to promote this.

Next meeting will take place next term in early February.