



Extraordinary Meeting
Tuesday 21st April 2022 @ 19303hrs
The Snow Centre, St Albans Hill, Hemel Hempstead

Attendees

Hannah Perry (Chair), Chris Turrell (Secretary), Carrie Foster (Treasurer), Caroline Trimby (Newsletter & Publisher), Jenny Batchelor, Imelda Aspinall, Cassandra O'Neill, Jo Rosser, Tracey Deans, Alex De Tisi, Emma Lethbridge, Lisa Clare, Neysa Claridge.

Apologies

Lucy Raphael (Deputy Chair), Rachel Williams (Social Media Coordinator), Amy Gostling, Sara Rose-Freedman, Sara Miles, Natalie Turculet, Charlotte Hosier, Matthew Tibbles, Jodie Flint.

1. Welcome and Introduction

Chris Turrell welcomed everyone for coming and explained the purpose of this meeting is to vote in a new Chair and Vice Chair. Sadly, Hannah and Lucy have decided to step down as Chair and Vice Chair therefore creating two vacancies that are essential to be able to maintain our PTA.

2. Voting for Chair and Vice Chair

Following Hannah and Lucy making their intention to step down at the PTA Spring Meeting on 1st March, the PTA advertised the vacancies within the Minutes and also via Facebook and Parents class Whatsapp groups.

The following have put their names forward:

- Jenny Batchelor for Chair – Jenny has children in Year 1&4
- Imelda Aspinall for Vice Chair – Imelda has children in Year 1&6

As there were no other candidate's forthcoming, Jenny and Imelda were proposed by Hannah Perry (Chair) and seconded by Chris Turrell (Secretary) and voted in unanimously by a show of hands.

3. Balance at Handover

£4372.09cr (£24.95 pending)

Following this meeting Hannah will change over the Bank Account, Parentkind, Charity Commission and BSA/PTA email administration to Miss Jenny Batchelor and Mrs Imelda Aspinall.

An up-to-date version of Accounts will be provided to the Bank as part of this process.

FULL ACCOUNTS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO EVERYONE ELSE, AS NORMAL, AT THE END OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR (AGM c. SEPTEMBER 2022)



4. Special thanks from the PTA

With Hannah and Lucy at the helm since September 2020 we have raised over £7K as a PTA, this is an incredible amount during a pandemic and lock downs, where a great deal of 'outside the box' thinking has been required for fund raising and event management, but also personal consideration to the mental impact to the children and financial circumstances of their parents. Their tenure hasn't been all about fund raising, it has also been about giving back, including:

- Free Christmas Raffle including 5 free hampers during lockdown
- Every child received a Christmas present including books and chocolates during lockdown
- We purchased and decorated a tree and the walkway down to the school
- Virtual Pantomime and popcorn for all children during lockdown
- Free ice creams (and lots of excited children seeing an ice cream van turn up on the playground) at the end of summer term
- Year 6 Pizza treat

Funds raised from the huge number of events including the flagship Sponsored Run which raised just short of £4.5K and over £1,500 raised at our Christmas Market. These efforts were also rewarded with the donation of a defibrillator, allowing more funds to go towards the following, to name a few:

- An outdoor reading shed and books
- 8 Chromebooks to support children as part of SENCO related learning needs
- A book drive to replenish the classrooms & library, including a £300 donation to the school library for new books
- Every class has been given £100 to put towards replenishing their learning/play stocks
- Buddy Benches & Giant Connect 4
- Various Sports equipment including football goals and nets, Netball hoops and nets, basket hoops, table tennis bats and balls

The list of events run and items purchased goes on however at the heart of it has been two very hardworking leaders making the 'magic' happen and bringing smiles to our children's faces.

Neysa Claridge also wished to add her thanks for Hannah and Lucy's flexibility, support and hard work, raising essential funds to support our children's school experience.



Tracy Deans presented gifts to Hannah and Lucy from the PTA and Class Representatives as a thank you for all their hard work.

Hannah thanked the meeting and mentioned that without the support of the rest of the PTA and the donations of parents they would not have been able to function.

5. Future Events

- Small Coin Collection - from 25th April with Golden Time (for winning class)
- Coffee Morning - reengage with Parents in school hall
- Jubilee Celebration - 11th June
- Belswains Jubilee pins for Platinum Jubilee 11th June
- Father Day Tables - 17th June
- Break the Rules Day - 26th May
- Year 6 Leavers disco - 15th July
- Ice Cream Van 20th July
- Movie Nights - TBC
- Drunk Link Talk
- New parents' welcome coffee morning (1st week of curriculum year)
- Halloween Disco
- Christmas Disco/Christmas Fair

6. AOB

- **No other business**

Meeting ended 2015