

Minutes: Whittingham PTA and Friends

Monday 13th March 2017

Present: Julia Dods (JD-Chair), Sophia Chinn (SC- Vice Chair) Nicola Wood (NW- Secretary), Emma Manners (EM- Treasurer), Belinda Athey (BA), Tina Wynne (TW), Louise Hodgson (LH), Angie Frater (AF), Susie Hardie (SH), Sue Parker (SP),

1. **Apologies:** Morag Herdman, Gayle Hibbert Johnson, Steph Whinn, Liz Knox, Cath Clark, Cheryl Chisholm,

2. **Minutes of last meeting:** Agreed correct

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Thank you

JD thanked LH and her helpers for all of their help in organising the school disco. Everyone agreed that Louise did a great job.

3.2 Treasurers Report

Current balance £4,412.54

EM highlighted the healthy bank balance and asked BA if she had plans for it. BA requested help with subsidising transport for school trips that are coming up and to update Maths resources, all agreed these were good ideas.

4. Fundraising Ideas

4.1 Coffee Morning. - Saturday 1st April

Gayle and Steph who couldn't make the meeting had told JD and NW that all was in control and a letter had gone out asking for help on the day and donations for the raffle and tombola, any toys or books for second hand stall and cakes and bakes for the produce stall.

LH offered to run a "guess the teddy bears birthday" competition and asked BA to pick a date for the birthday.

4.2 - Strawberry Teas at Sports Day

NW put forward Liz Knox's idea of having strawberry teas at sports day, all agreed that this is a great idea. NW to liaise with BA regarding timings and format of the afternoon.

NW suggested getting an ice cream treat for all the children.

4.3 Community Bingo

SH suggested a community bingo night based on an event she has previously been involved in. LH suggested using a different hall to Whittingham as SP thought Whittingham Hall is booked out for a club on a Friday evening. Glanton, Powburn and Ingram Halls were suggested. EM to see if Glanton Hall is free on Friday 12th May.

TW and LH kindly offered to organise.

NW to add flyers to Air Ambulance bags to notify as many people as possible.

EM asked if we need a gamblers licence but SH thought if we aren't giving out cash prizes we didn't need one.

NW suggested having the hall open earlier so people can get fish and chips from the van and eat inside before the bingo starts.

4.4 Other Ideas

Canapés and Cocktails -JD, NW and EM to organise. SCh offered to host in a marquee in June after an event.

Camping at school - SH suggested a school camp out based on a previous experience. BA wasn't sure about having it at school for insurance purposes and use of facilities. JD suggested Powburn show field before or after the show. To be discussed further.

Second Hand Shop - LH suggested setting up a second hand shop for school uniform. All agreed this was a brilliant idea.

5. Other business

Upcoming Air Ambulance Collection - Monday 8th May 1pm

Meeting closed at 3.15pm

Next meeting to be arranged after Easter Half Term - hope to see lots of you there!