

Ash Cartwright & Kelsey PTFA AGM 9am, Tuesday 19th October 2021

Present:

Chair - Sam Dunn

Fiona Crascall - Head Teacher

Other attendees: AH, BB, ZB, OC, KM, ET, VT, KW, NW, Apologies - Carl Watson - Treasurer, CC, KD, SDa, RW

1. Welcome by Chair

Introduction to meeting and welcome to Fiona Crascall.

Last year's minutes

- Chair stated that the minutes from last year reflect the same emphasis we have this year which will be to support the recovery curriculum and offer enrichment activities.
- Chair went through the activities listed on the minutes and explained that they had been delivered.
- Funds had been delivered to support staff outdoor education training as part of the Middle Leadership Programme (the result of this is that the school have been able to often more in depth outdoor learning)
- Chair acknowledged the impact of matched funding and thanked Barclays Bank for their support.

2. Treasurer's report

Apologies from Treasurer.

- Chair presented report, as supplied by Treasurer (see separate document), which included
 a comment around the impact of Covid and thanks for support through the pandemic,
 acknowledgment of the importance of matched funding and a note that the school have
 not received extra funds throughout the pandemic.
- Summary (extract from the report)

Like many things fundraising for the PTFA in 2020/2021 was badly affected by covid. We were unable to run the normal number of events due to lockdowns and restrictions. However due to the hard work of the committee members and helpers, plus the generosity of the community and Barclays Bank (who again provided matched funding) we were able to raise in excess of £7,500 of much needed funds to support the school.

At a time when school budgets continue to be squeezed, PTFA funds were able to supply the school with

Books

Learning resources

School trip contributions

Materials to support the recovery curriculum

Support for outdoor learning

Contributions for a new server to modernise computing infrastructure

Support for the year 6 pupils leaving the school

We would like to thank the staff, pupils and parents for their support this year.

 The report was passed around for attendees to view and Chair said that report can be emailed on request.

3. Welcome from Head Teacher - Fiona Crascall

Headteacher explained that we are in a time of increasingly diminished funds.

Funds raised by the PTFA form an essential part of supporting the school plan by providing activities or resources that tie in with:

- Recovery Curriculum for example ensuring that children don't miss out on trips.
- Cultural Capital" in OFSTED terms this is "what do children experience that they may not otherwise get by enhancing life skills and wellbeing and making sure they are ok to learn.
- Enquiry based curriculum developing the enquiring mind and encouraging discussion. All topics start with a question.
- Encouraging positive mindsets, behaviour and language. Metacognition (thinking about thinking) and taking responsibility there are displays in school to help children learn about this.
- Raising the profile of the school within the local community

The above are also key elements of the church ethos of the school.

During this school year the PTFA funding will be important in going towards memorable and special activities as we are now all back together after the restrictions of the pandemic.

4. Nomination of committee members

SDU - Normally 20 members needed for votes to stand but only 11 in attendance. All happy to go ahead with nominations today.

Sam Dunn to remain as Chair

Proposed - Kristina Massey Seconded - Zoe Brooks

Vice Chair role - no nominations, role to remain vacant, persons interested to contact Chair

Carl Watson to remain as Treasurer, Carole Cook to remain as Deputy Treasurer, Katy Wacher to shadow the role for possible future support or nomination.

Proposed - Sam Dunn Seconded - Beth Barber

Beth Barber to remain as Secretary

Proposed -Sam Dunn Seconded - Katy Wacher

Committee members

Zoe Brooks

Sam Daunoras - Social media coordinator

Katy Dobson

Alice Henderson

Rachel Wilson

Katy Wacher

(New) Olly Clark

(New) Ellen Titterton

(New) Victoria Thompson

Helpers

Nicola Watson

(last year's list of helpers to be contacted also)

5. AOB

Chair clarified that all parents and carers of children at the school are automatically members of the PTFA and are welcome to share thoughts and ideas at any time. The committee is formed to plan, implement, communicate and feed back on activities and events. Committee meetings are once a month, usually in an evening due to member's daytime commitments. The next meeting will be w/c 8th November.

Meeting closed by SDU with thanks of support and confirmation that minutes will be issued in due course.