

Minutes of the Aldryngton PTA meeting 14th March 2013

1. Present

Stephen Lea, Simon Feist, Claire Connell, Anna Neffendorf, Elaine Stewart, Julia Franks, Olga ones, John Thompson, Sabine Bickle

2. Apologies

Justine Bark, Melda Baxter, Vicki Adams, Avril Kiff

3. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

- Online payments task group – **On Hold**
- Funding request 13/20 for hedge trimmer & strimmer - **On-going**
- Annual report now complete, to be submitted to charity commission and list of trustees to be updated on website – **Action CC & SF**
- Minutes of the AGM to be put on the website – **Not Done**

There were no other matters arising and the Minutes were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting 24th January

4. Treasurer's report

The treasurer's report was discussed and is available on the website at: http://aldryngton.wokingham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/Treasurers_Report_-_14_03_13.pdf

Item numbers 13/04; 13/05; 13/06; 13/08; 13/09; 13/10; 13/13; 13/19 are to be removed from the outstanding approved items list as these will not be invoiced for, mainly due to cost savings. This leaves the total commitment outstanding at £3653.64

It was noted that it may help with fundraising if it is made clearer to parents exactly what PTA funds are spent on. Many parents will not have looked at the minutes of meetings or treasurer's reports and may be unaware of the items funded by the PTA. Items to be added to school newsletters – **Action SL**

5. School Funding Partnership

No new requests have been submitted.

6. Pool Club

The options for pool club membership payment were discussed. It was decided that the option for a £12 membership in return for 8 duties would be dropped. All other changes were agreed. Pool club membership to be promoted at parents evening and in the newsletter.

7. Grounds development

Working Party Saturday 20th April 2013 from 12 noon. Planned work to include repainting the traversing wall and repainting the swimming pool changing rooms.

Changing rooms flooring requires replacing – **action Anna to investigate**

Future major funding request will be for the outdoor stage, for artificial turf around the area

8. Try-A-Tri Update

8th & 9th June Saturday to run as last year, Sunday – individual event involving other local schools. Loddon and Hawkedon are keen, no response from other schools as yet. **ES to chase up**

Sweatshop, Mizuno and Cyclezone sponsors. BTA Berkshire very keen to visit the event. Advertising to start earlier than last year. Wording to be revised re: Gift Aid. Need to investigate registering for BT Donate website.

9. Noticeboards

Still need a firm response from Foundation – **Action ES**

Simon has investigated costs – price range available £80 - £400, once location agreed can make decision regarding choice of boards.

10. PTA Constitution

Model constitution still to be obtained - **Action SL**

11. AOB

Justine has informed us that the disco in May will be her last as organiser. She is willing to help out at the next couple but does not wish to be in charge. The PTA is very grateful for all her hard work with the discos and hopes a successor will be found to take over organising this important fundraising activity.

Plant sales to take place during cake sales in May – **SF organising**

Lights not suitable for disco use to be sold on eBay – **action SF**

Quiz night was not as well attended as hoped. Those of us with younger children did not attend (bedtime etc.). Apparently there had also been comments made about the price, although it did include food.

9. Date of next meeting

Thursday 2nd May 2013 7.30 – 8.30pm