



Aldryngton PTA

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Present

Sue Beasley, Graham Begg, Peter Chamberlain, Helen Grieves, Ian Head, Helen Kemm, Pete Kemm, Stephen Lea, Alice Sibulinjase, Elaine Stewart, Simon Windisch, and many others.

Chair's Report

Ian gave a round up of recent activities including the summer fayre. No actions to be taken.

Treasurer's Report

Stephen presented a report of PTA accounts for 2008 – 2009 which were approved without comment by those present. It was noted that due to a change in the law affecting the way charities report their finances, it is no longer necessary to have the PTA annual accounts audited by an accountant. Stephen mentioned that this task had been undertaken gratis for many years by Alan Harland, and the committee gave a vote of thanks for his kind assistance.

Elections

Ian Head is standing down from the PTA as he no longer has any children attending Aldryngton School. The committee thanked Ian for his many years of leadership and service to the school and PTA. Committee members were duly elected as follows...

- Chair: Simon Windisch
- Vice Chair: Graham Begg
- Secretary: Pete Kemm (welcome to the PTA!)
- Treasurer: Stephen Lea
- Head of Swimming Pool Committee: Sue Beasley
- Disco coordinator: Justine Bark
- Cake sales coordinator: Helen Grieves
- Website coordinator: Mr Mistry
- Publicity, posters, etc: Year 6 volunteers

PTA Funding Requests

Discussion of Funding requests was deferred to the next PTA meeting.

Quiz Night

There was a brief discussion about the Quiz Night on Friday 16th October. Team names and payment to be submitted via the PTA letterbox.

Actions

- Graham: check lottery license is in force
- Justine: buy sweets and other supplies
- Simon: arrange newsletter and check publicity

Any Other Business

Simon outlined his proposal to focus direct PTA funds towards improvements to the pool, including an idea to enclose it completely. Other ideas were suggested including air conditioning for the middle school classrooms, an outdoor climbing frame, and improvements to Design and technology facilities. The consensus was that we need to come up with one or more 'big ideas' to be discussed at the next PTA meeting.

The committee were asked if they had any plans to improve traffic management and/or improve facilities for parents dropping off or collecting their children by car. It was noted that the majority of Aldrynton pupils walk to school, that the great majority of traffic is for Maiden Erlegh school, and that any improvements to parking facilities in or around the school might actually encourage parents and pupils to drive instead of walk, thereby exacerbating the problem. It was agreed to pick up on this topic for discussion at a later meeting.

Notable Dates

Next committee meeting

8pm, Monday 5th October, at school.

Next AGM

Friday 24th September, at school.