



Cavendish PTA



Minutes for Cavendish PTA meeting 16.06.2015

Present: Dawn Lappin (Chair), David Griffiths, Rob King, Catherine Mckinnon, Nicola Sherlock, Catherine Alnuamaani

Apologies: Simon Manning (Treasurer), Jen Barnes (Secretary), Bridget Moss, Caroline Mcgillard

Treasurer's Report:

Dawn read out Simon's financial report due to his absence. It read as follows: There is a current balance of £2,659.23 in the bank. This takes into account money already promised to school for requests at the two previous meetings, amounting to £2,881.91, and the amount owed back by the school as a balance from under spend on the EYF waterproofs. Plus the £4,475 which was paid in today from the last few events. Simon Manning has a meeting with Ann to finalise moneys owed on the 22nd June.

As its coming up to the end of term it was also noted by Simon (via the report) that we normally try and end the year with £2000 in the bank to give us spending money for Bonfire Night. It was agreed that this could be sustained following the Sausage Sizzle event. David Griffiths noted that at this stage, it remains uncertain if Bonfire Night will take place in 2015 due to planned building works.

The report also confirmed that the PTA was still to file the outstanding PTA accounts with the charity commission but need the Trustee Annual Report (TAR) approving by Janet Marland. SM has found an accountant (Andrea Csanyi) who is then willing to audit the accounts free of charge. Still outstanding. **Action: JM/SM**

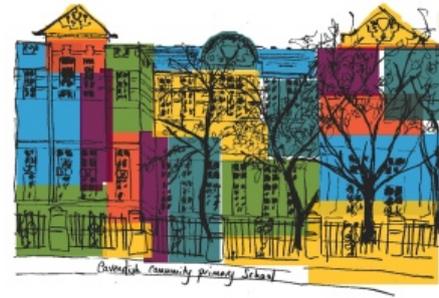
Events:

Didsbury Festival 2015

The Didsbury Festival was a great success with lots of positive comments from parents. We took £680.30 on the day but out-goings still need to be taken off this to provide PTA profit. At this stage it looks like a good profit was made considering we normally only break even at this event.



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Sausage Sizzle

The following points were discussed as possible activities:

- Dawn has spoken to Carla about running a craft event, maybe making bags as we can't do the normal clay activity with no kiln **Action DL/CS**
- Dawn has spoken to Sarah Smith to do a possible bake off with KS2 to provide cakes for the cake stall **Action DL/SS**
- Discussed the possibility of a competition for KS1 as alternative to the bake off, possible ideas were hat/sun glasses decoration
- Spoken to Capita about how they can get involved. They may be able to organise some interactive element. such as stocks for us to keep for future use. If they can't provide stocks we could ask if Withington Baths have some we could borrow. **Action DL**
- Manchester City Council are currently trying to promote recycling, they may be able to bring some props for games and they would run them. **Action DL**
- Steve Hanley has agreed it would be possible to get some music to the field for background. **Action DL**
- Rob King is continuing to develop the sports arena area. Hoola Hoopers may be able to do something. RK wants to do a 5 aside tournament. Samba drummers may be able to do a performance. May need to buy some medals. Rob also agreed to develop a timetable of events. **Action RK**
- Manchester City may also be able to come and set up a speed challenge, Rob King has agreed to continue developing this opportunity. **Action RK**
- Little Sports Coaches have said they will come in and run something, maybe a penalty shoot out. Although it was discussed at the meeting that is City attend, whether Little Sports could do a different sport focus. **Action RK**
- Decathlon sell a good Archery set, may look at purchasing for the PTA as could be a good investment. **Action DL**
- Catherine Mckinnon mentioned Mancunians Rugby League may be interested in doing something. **Action CM**
- Could Polkadots do something to appeal to the nursery children and fill the early slot? Could possibly create a stage for them. DL to speak to Mrs Turner. **Action DL**
- Mark Leigh to be asked about the choir doing something. **Action DG**
- Nicola Tatton has said that she has some fabric to be used to decorate the stalls. Nicola Sherlock suggested using it to make a tepee, Lindsey Bowers



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(Nursery Mum) has offered to use some of it to make bunting. **Action NT/NS/CM/LB**

- Helen Cooper to be asked about Den building or maybe Mary from Forest School. **Action DL/DG**

Uniform Jumble

A couple of parents previously offered to help sort out the lost property. All the named uniform has been returned to children via classes. Unnamed has been washed and 3 Amnesty days have been planned over the next few weeks. Uniform will be put out on the boat for parents to claim. Anything left over will be sold at the school fair.

Bonfire Night

As noted above, David Griffiths said that a decision on whether we will be able to hold our annual Bonfire event this year will have to be delayed until after the summer holidays. It was agreed that until we know what progress has been made with the new build and how the car park area will look this decision needs to be made nearer the time.

Teachers Requests for Funds:

Cavendish Big Adventure – David Griffiths

A whole school trip is planned for the second day back in September (KS1 and KS2). Each year will have a school trip in the morning and then meet up in the afternoon at the Cheshire Show Ground. Request made to help support the cost of the afternoon. PTA have previously committed to pay the £500 to hire the grounds. Current additional costs to cover by the school are as follows.

Rides – £500

Sports Coaches – £810

Toilets – £834

Marquee – £1,350

Total – £3,494

PTA asked to commit to fund part of the trip. Discussed running the Sausage Sizzle to raise additional funds.

In the meantime, PTA agreed to commit to funding the Sports Coaches at **£810**.



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AOB:

At last meeting it was discussed whether a PTA member could attend Nursery and Reception open evenings over the next couple of weeks. Dawn has agreed to attend the Reception Parents evening and to give a short presentation about the PTA. **Action DL**

Dawn will speak to Claire Powell about maybe doing something at the Nursery Fun day if only for them to use the branded gazebo for promotion. **Action DL**

Date of Next Meeting:

TBC – as only one of the three committee members were in attendance, date to be agreed following the meeting and communicated to all.