**PTFA – Meeting Minutes – Wednesday 31st March 2021, 20:00 via zoom**

**PRESENT**

Spencer Mogridge (SM), Lucinda Warren (LW), Barry Shea (BS), Bethan Bolton (BB), Dan Bolton (DB), Georgia Vine (GV), Debbie Field (DF), Callie Woodrow (CW), Carly Buscombe (CB), Danielle Gordge (DG)

**APOLOGIES**

Zara Risley (ZR), Dan Warren (DW), Rachel Oxford (RO)

**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

* Bank Balance is just over £12k.
* Pool liner money now £4.5k, this being put aside as per constitutional commitment of £500 per annum.
* As agreed via WhatsApp during the pandemic, the PTFA have donated £900 for forest school and musical instruments as requested by DF.
* Ongoing commitment to give the school £350 per term for books over the next 2 years.

**M12k**

* Race postponed until April 2022 owing to Covid 19.
* Refunds totaling net £210 will need to be paid to entrants who have not deferred their entry to 2022.
* This gives us approximately 350 runners for 2022 so we could open up a further 50 places.

**FUNDRAISING IDEAS**

* Committee acknowledged that the usual fundraisers are still a challenge to organize and are more likely to resume next school year.
* SM organizing a sponsored cycle ride around the Isle of Wight this May. A Just Giving Page will be opened. Some school parents are taking up the challenge.
* Hampers which have been very successful in the past are to be revisited in a covid secure way.
* SM suggested a village treasure hunt to raise funds, perhaps selling family tickets for participants to cycle the village and surrounding area to seek treasures. End of June or early July dates to be explored.
* Committee still needs to delegate responsibility for furthering these prospects.

**TEACHER WISHLISTS**

* DF delighted with response from parents last year.
* DF will present committee with other requests in the hope of another windfall of secondhand items for the school.

**SWIMMING POOL**

* Pool liner is now installed.
* If pool reopens then teaching staff would need to lead each session as bubble integrity is to be maintained.
* DF stated that it would not be compulsory for teachers to conduct swim sessions as their brief for the rest of this year is to catch up on the curriculum.
* Committee discussed the possibility of asking parents to fund the pool sessions, this was rejected by most including DF.
* Ongoing running costs for the pool (circa £1,700) would most likely be through donations, be they from parents or other parties. Last year Stalbridge Linen kindly donated £500 towards the pool.
* Following this meeting SM has been discussing with Moormead the pools opening costs, it has been suggested that we can open the pool for £600 of non-liner committed money. This requires further clarification.
* Startup of pool – much discussion on this point, on the evening of the meeting a vote was taken as to whether the estimated startup costs of £1,700 would be better spent elsewhere as per DF’s suggestion (on curriculum resources, specifically History and Design Technology). The vote to NOT open the pool was 8-1 in favour.
* Subsequent negotiations by SM with Moormead as above have cast doubt on the ongoing closure of the pool as the costs to reopen the pool have potentially been reduced. A further meeting after the Easter break is to be arranged to discuss these new savings, the opening of the pool, and to confirm the amount we donate to the school for the curriculum resources. It should be noted that DF is hoping for £2.5k

**AGM**

* Date set for 29/06/21 at the school hall, the feeling was why wait until September.

**COMMITTEE ROLES**

* SM & LW reaffirmed their intentions to step down as Chairman and Treasurer respectively, the committee regrets their decision, but they have served their time with distinction. DW was not at the meeting in person but did in the last minutes of March 2020 confirm that he is also stepping down as vice Chairman.
* The next AGM will be used as a means of inviting anyone to fill these roles as without them it is very hard for the committee to operate as it should.

**NEXT MEETING**

TBC