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**MINUTES OF AGM MEETING  
14 November 2016  
3.30 pm**

**Present:** Stephanie Baldwin (SB), Kat Tateno (Secretary) KT, Sarah Hammonds, Ashley Elliott, Ellen Tolhurst, Sophie Harrison, Natalie Fletcher, Vici Wooton, Lauren Blyth, David Sykes.

**Apologies:** Keith Cooper (Treasurer) KC  
Simon Parker (Vice-chair)  
Vicki Davis  
Sarah Barnard-Mitcham

**SECRETARY'S COMMENTS AND INTRODUCTION - KT**

Thank you to Stephanie and her staff and governors for their support over the past year, especially for putting on the discos and fairs as the committee took the decision not to run these in the absence of a chair. Also thank you to Adam Baldwin, Vicki Davis and Sarah Barnard-Mitcham who have been amazing in helping us with sending out parentmails, selling disco tickets and setting up for events.

Thanks also to all the members who have helped by attending or helping to run events. Special thanks to Sarah Hammonds, Sarah Harper and Zoe Cooper for their help in preparing the summer fete and halloween disco. Also thanks to Lisa Fowler for making the slime at the disco.

Fundraising: The weather over the past year has been against us forcing the cancellation of both sports day several times (at which we were planning to raise money from cream teas) and the summer fair. We were however able to put on a scaled down version of the summer fair and thanks to everyone who helped out.

The recent halloween disco was well received although being on halloween itself may have affected numbers attending.

We will continue to promote use of easyfundraising to members via facebook page.

Purchases: We have agreed with school the purchase of some educational and fun outdoor equipment. Hoodies were also purchased for the Year 6 leavers as well as some books.

We still have a considerable amount of money in the bank - £3500 - so are very keen to come up with some ideas for things to spend it on!

**FUNDRAISING OVER THE NEXT YEAR**

**1. EVENTS**

The next event will be the Christmas Fair on Wednesday 7 December 2016 after school. A meeting to plan this will be organised in the next few weeks. Each class will make items to be sold at the fair. CAF agreed to give £5 to each class to help with buying resources for this.

School agreed to produce a paper christmas quiz to be sent home. Families can then pay a small amount to enter the quiz and a prize will be awarded to the winner.

Events for 2017 - Quiz evening in January, Valentines Disco, Easter Fair, and Bingo evening in the Summer term.

## 2. SPENDING THE MONEY WE'VE RAISED

Various ideas were discussed including:

- \* A large sail to cover the Reception outdoor area
- \* Creating learning/play areas on the school field - we discussed having community days to create these and also contacting local garden centres to see if they would be willing to donate sleepers/ logs/gravel etc.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

KC provided a copy of his report to SB which will be sent out to parents via parentmail.

## **ELECTION OF COMMITTEE**

The following committee was elected:

Kat Tateno (Chair), Keith Cooper (Treasurer), Sarah Hammonds (Vice Chair) and Ashley Elliott (Secretary)

Each position was nominated by Stephanie Baldwin and seconded by Lauren Blyth.

## **NEXT MEETING**

A planning meeting will be held for the Christmas Fair.