

## **Penglais School PTA Meeting, 22 October 2020, [Zoom session]**

Chair: Heather Cox; minutes: Artemis Gratsea

Present: Sue Lewis, Artemis Gratsea, Heather Cox, Mair Hughes, Gina Callanan, Mandy Keryworth, Julie Davies, Paul Williams, Kim Williams, Andrea Whitney, Becky Kularatne, Kevin Joseph, Jan Elgood, Mr Price, Mrs Price, XXX, XXX

Heather Cox welcomed everyone to the meeting and participants introduced themselves

### **1. CHAIR REPORT**

[Heather had prepared a PowerPoint] Committee happy with last year's AGM

- Meetings took place in October and November 2019 to plan the Christmas Fayre
- Raffle had raised quite a sum of money
- Lottery going well amid not too many subscribed – more from Rebecca
- Liaising with school (Mair, Sarah, Julie)
- Thanked all those involved

### **2. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Total income (events, lottery) £3,225.32; balance after School projects and PTA Association Parentkind: £1,818.05 (15 Sep 2020)

Julie added

- People enquire about financial support; she was advised to inform that they can apply bearing in mind that funds are low
- Gambling licence fee of \$40,00 required (due to lottery)
- £140 in school safe from cancelled Carry & Quiz refunds

### **3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- Has been an interesting/challenging First term; pupils and staff doing incredibly, students have adapted. Wishing to be able to see parents
- Re lottery: an idea of producing a video explaining what it is in the hope of attracting more contributors
- Regarding future funding: invest on outside sitting / covered outside space - they are costly

It was added that it may be easier to try fundraising for a specific project; also suggested, considering 'freezing' other requests for the benefits of this big project – this may encourage tradesmen to contribute more

### **4. LOTTERY REPORT (Becky)**

Scheme not restricted to parents; a bit of marketing is being done, worth advertising in Parentmail etc as tickets increase every time there's been some publicity. While the money raised is not great, it is pretty consistent (£150-190 every 8 weeks).

### **5. NEW COMMITTEE**

Heather welcomed the new members of the Committee: Andrea Whitney chair, Kevin Joseph vice-chair; Mandy Keryworth will be supporting in the background.

Sarah happy to continue supporting the PTA

## **6. IDEAS FOR FUTURE FUNDRAISING**

- Focusing on an one-off project by organising 1-2 events
- Raffles [not involving cash exchange given the circumstances]
- Treasure hunts [Jan Elgood done before]
- Students debates / quizzes that parents contribute financially
- 'guess teacher from baby photo' or 'body part photo' competitions
- Ring-fencing events per age group; while not tried before it was felt to be an interesting approach probably worth giving a go at
- It was pointed out that in the future may be a good idea not to send raffle tickets home with pupils
- Recording choir performances that parents may be interested in buying

ACTION: Andrea will liaise with Kevin to discuss these ideas

Heather noted that there seems to be a general consent for fundraising for the outdoor area

Kim asked whether PTA communications could be incorporated to Parental Mail; Mair commented she does not see why not

All participants thanked Heather for her enthusiastic and valuable contribution over the period she has been the Chair of PTA

## **7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

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