PTA Trustees Meeting 16 February 2022

Present	Name	Initials	Position
Yes	Rachel Gonzalez	RG	Chair
Yes	Lorraine Firth	LF	Secretary
No	Ryan Bloomfield	RB	Treasurer
Yes	Tracy Eveleigh	TE	St Paul's SIMs Administrator
Yes	Michaela Olejarova	MO	
Yes	Michelle Fyfe	MF	
Yes	Laila Daoud	LD	
Apologies Sent	Vicki Moran	VM	

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1	Welcome RG thanked everyone for attending the meeting and thanked those in the meeting for stepping up to fill the Trustee positions. Rachel reminded us that all parents/carers are members of the PTA, but there is a Trustees group which is responsible for the running and decision making of the PTA.	n/a
2	 Trustees – Key Stage Lead Positions to be Filled RG explained the role of the PTA Trustees, main responsibilities include and are not limited to: Deciding what fundraising is done Deciding how the money should be spent Making decisions in the running of the PTA Ensuring that the money is fairly spent over the year groups/key stages. The Key Stage Trustees positions were filled as follows: EY/KS1 - Michaela Olejarova LKS2 - Michelle Fyfe and Laila Daoud to be Co-Trustees for this year group UKS2 - Vicki Moran 	n/a
3	 Decision Making and Voting It was agreed that PTA Meetings would have a 50% requirement for meeting attendance. It was agreed that decisions by the PTA should have a 50% requirement for a vote to be passed It was agreed that a process should be put in place for requests to be submitted from school/teachers 	LF – to consider a process for requests to be submitted to the PTA

	It was agreed that there should be a more formal process for decision making/voting on submissions and these should be made during meetings.	
4	Engaging with Parents	
	There was a general discussion on how to engage with parents to ensure that we are effectively communicating and to encourage parents to be more involved in events.	
	Discussion points included making sure that we should try new fun ideas to get the children engaged and this in turn would help to encourage parents to participate.	
	It was considered to be a good idea to use Facebook more as most people have a Facebook account and we could use the PTA page to connect more with parents. It was discussed that we should talk to the School to link in with any activities that would be appropriate to show on Facebook as this may give parents more reasons to follow the page.	
	We discussed continuing to use the PTA newsletter to remind parents of what the PTA is organising.	
	It was agreed that we should continue to make use of the WhatsApp groups for the year groups as these are an easy way to get our messages across to parents.	
5	Fund Raising	
	Initial thoughts on Activities for the year RG proposed 2 new fundraising activities which needed immediate approval and these were outlined below along with the Sports Day Refreshment Stall and Family Fun Night being approved but the school.	
	Design a new logo competition RG proposed a competition for children to design a new logo for the PTA. The new logo needed to have the letters PTA in it and the children of the PTA members could enter. This was agreed to be run by the Trustees.	RG – to send out the information on the design a new logo competition.
	 Sponsored Read-a-Thon RG proposed a sponsored Read-a-Thon to run in March from after World Book Day until the end of March. The School is concentrating on reading and this will support the school with encouraging children to read at home. The sponsorship will run from 4th March – 31st March. The possibility of making this a competition between the year groups was raised to try to encourage engagement from the children. This was agreed to be run by the Trustees. 	RG – to discuss the competitive element of the Read-a- Thon with the school.

	Sports Day It was proposed that the PTA should run a refreshments stall at Sports Day assuming that parents are allowed to attend in line with any COVID restrictions and advice. This was agreed that the PTA should run a refreshments stall by the Trustees and that we would advertise for parents to volunteer time to run the stall along with parents providing donations for the stall.	All – to think about how to advertise the Sports Day refreshments stall for helpers and donations.
	 Family Fun Night The School has agreed that the PTA can go ahead and plan a Family Fun Evening assuming that this can go ahead given any COVID restrictions which may be in place at the time. It was agreed to take the planning of this event to a separate meeting, but initial thoughts were that the Jolly Jar Tombola, Bottle Tombola and inflatables should go ahead as these have proved popular at previous events. The Enchanted Forest was also discussed, with this being popular at the last event that was run and it was agreed that something similar should be out in place this year.	LF – to arrange a separate meeting to discuss Family Fun Night. RG – to approach the organiser of
	 Other Fundraising Ideas: Other Fundraising ideas were discussed including: Reinstating the termly discos either at school or off-site, including the possibility of having an area for parents to wait where refreshments could be sold. Talent Show for children to enter with various categories so even parents could be involved. Children would pay to enter and then win a prize. The children could be asked to vote on the entries and this could be run in-person or virtually. 	the Enchanted Forest RG – to discuss discos with the School and review alternative locations.
	Target It was decided to set ourselves a target for the year once we have a better understanding of the current finances of the PTA.	LF – to add these ideas to a future agenda
	 Event Champions It was agreed that we should have Event Champions, not limited to the Trustees who can lead on various events such as: Christmas Fayre Games Family Fun Games Summer Fair Enchanted Forest Grotto/Winter Wonderland for Christmas Fayre Quiz and Curry Night School Uniform 	All – to think if anyone would like to be an Event Champion or if they have any suggestions for Event Champions
6	Project for the year It was agreed that it is good to have a larger goal to work towards but that parents should still see the benefit of their contributions whilst their	RG – to contact the School for spending

	 children are still at the school, so it is important to balance out the spending between long-term goals smaller more immediate goals. We should reach out to the school to see that they need and also see if there are any ideas coming from the School Council that we can help fund. Is there anything fun that we can fund as more interaction from the children will in turn encourage more parents to be involved. 	ideas both from teachers and the School Council.
7	Meeting Dates It was agreed that we should meet in the last week of each month, with any additional event organising meetings being added in where appropriate. It was agreed that a meeting should be set up to organise Family Fun Night.	LF – to arrange a Family Fun Night meeting
8	 AOB RG – Everyone to send their contact details (telephone numbers and email addresses) to Rachel. MO – is there any way to open up the events to other schools or the wider community? – This is something to consider for Family Fun Night. MO – who should cover each of the WhatsApp year groups, we need to consider if we have all year groups covered. LF – proposed reaching out to other PTAs in the area to see what ideas work for them to communicate or engage with parents and how they maximise fundraising. LF – we have had sponsorship from Parkers in the past and we believe that they have offered sponsorship for our next event. Next Meeting Details: Topic: PTA - Summer Fayre/Family Fun Time: Mar 7, 2022 08:00 PM London Join Zoom Meeting 	All – to send contact details to RG All – to consider engaging the wider community in Family Fun Night LF – to consider which WhatsApp groups we don't cover LF – to contact other PTAs LF – to reach out to Parkers

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