Attendees: Sara English (Chair) | Liz Harvey (Treasurer) | Chloe Rollinson (Secretary) | Ian Harvey (Head teacher) | Robyn Aspinall | Sophie Williams | Saskia Aucott | Christine Suffolk | Vesela Ilieva

Apologies: Charlie Baker | Rachele Snowdon | Megan Baginski

## Review of 2020/21 AGM Minutes

Last year's minutes were reviewed prior to the meeting. No comments or amendments noted - all approved.

# Income and Expenses Update of 2021/22 Financial Year

LH ran through income and expenditure for the 2021/22 financial year.

Income for the period was a total of £6,002 across PTA run events and donations. Expenses for the period were £9,791, of which £3,788 came from savings.

Opening balance at the beginning of the period was £7,627 with the year closing at £3,838.

All events continued to perform well with Glastonbury, the Readathon, Disco and Beer Festival bringing in significant funds.

LH noted that Amazon Smile fundraising is coming to an end. In its place we should encourage parents to set up EasyFundraising in order that this continues to provide revenue.

## **Chair's Report**

SE summarized the year (Sept 2021 - Sept 2022) had been a really strong one both in terms of money raised and new equipment and initiatives we had invested in.

Regular events in the calendar continued to see success and were enjoyed by the children and wider members of the school community. Special thanks to those committee members who managed and ran the Disco for all of their efforts and increased profit as a result.

Two new events were added to the calendar - the Sponsored Readathon (in conjunction with Usbourne) and the Easter Egg Trail. The former was a really rewarding initiative and actively involved the children in the fundraising efforts. They, and the school, were thrilled with the books they received as a result. The

first year for the Easter Egg Trail was very positive and the event helped to fill a gap in the calendar during the Springtime. This event should be continued and built upon in the coming year.

The whole school trip to the Panto at Christmas was a huge treat for children, teachers and PTA parents who were able to attend. Whilst it is a significant investment, all agreed it is a brilliant, celebratory reward that the whole school can enjoy together.

Spending in school covered a wide range of both infrastructure, equipment and learning initiatives and included playground repaint, 3 x interactive workshops, new inclusive games equipment for the playground , WOW resources, outdoor seating, Usbourne books and hi vis jackets for school trips.

It was a really successful year that set in place some great foundations to build upon across both fundraising events and initiatives and areas for investment in school - SE expressed her thanks to all members of the committee as well as other parents / grandparents who had kindly given their time to help out.

# Update from Ian Harvey

IH thanked all members of the PTA for their efforts over the course of the year, commenting that although it was a small team the energy, enthusiasm and creativity shown had led to some really effective fundraising initiatives.

Money raised had been spent across some valuable areas that either enhanced the children's learning experience (e.g. workshops, equipment) or improved the wider school environment (e.g. new outdoor seating, play provision).

Good quality replacement benches for the front playground are currently being sourced and will be purchased and installed in due course.

Redecoration of the school is scheduled to start and run through Spring - Summer.

IH talked about some larger ambitions for new infrastructure within the school, including:

- Redecoration of Hedgehog Class mezzanine area
- Development of a dedicated, school wide library area within existing footprint or in additional structure (e.g. 'Library Cabin')
- Shade shelter for front playground

IH noted that when putting bids into the LSP for funding to cover these areas if we included the PTA's commitment to help it would be looked on beneficially. All agreed having a clearly communicated, tangible and more ambitious item/area to fundraise for would be positive.

# **Resignations & Nominations**

2020/21 - Lulu resigned as Secretary and was replaced by Chloe Laura Smith stood down as Fox Class representative and was replaced by Vessie 2022/23 - Sophie, Rachele and Vessie will all be leaving at the end of the current academic year - SE thanked them for their huge contributions over the years

2 new members set to join from Sept 23 - Chris and Donna Additional new members from current Hedgehog Class parents will also hopefully join from Sept

# Planned & New Activity - Term 2 & 3

## Film Night - 29/03/23

SE and RA are running Film Night after school Will show 2 films, shortlisted and chosen with the children's input (through School Council) and serve drinks and snacks at interval.

Flyers will be going out through school in the next couple of weeks.

## Easter Egg Trail - 16/04/23

Village loop trail, starting from the Village Hall to run the last Sunday of the Easter holidays. Similar format to last year with additional Easter crafts, Win a hamper etc. at Village Hall to follow. This year we will open the Hall bar.

## Smarties Challenge

Discussed rerunning as this was a really successful and simple activity - decided we would add into next year

## **Readathon**

Discussed rerunning as this was a really successful and simple activity - decided we would add into next year

## Fun Run / Colour Run - June / July?

Discussed adding into the event calendar in Summer term Active, fun, inclusive outdoor activity - fun run style that all children could participate in and raise sponsorship money for. To take place on The Glebe Considered doing 'colour run' style - look into costs and feasibility

## Ice Cream Sales & Refreshments @ Sports Day

Re-run these activities during Summer term

## **Date of Next Meeting**

Proposed PTA committee meeting w/c 17th April - Date and location tbc

Discussed inclusion of PTA news in new online version of The Link SE will ask Elspeth to share anything we put in The Link with Vessie so it can be added to the Compton Martin website also.

Robyn shared that a friend's school in Bristol had a great example of an outdoor reading area - will get more info and share.

Chris suggested a book exchange activity to tie in with World Book Day for 2024.