Monk Fryston CoE School PTA Committee Meeting Minutes 22/09/2015

Present: Rick Weights, Kristina Verney, Hayley O'Brien, Sarah Force, Sheila Fox, Danielle Ronan, Tracey Pickles, Leila Walls, and welcome to Rachel Greveson, Beth Woodhouse and Susan Lee

Apologies: Jonathon Gardner, Liz Stonell, Dawn O'Connor, Nicole Maddox, Emma Lowe.

- Minutes from last meeting on 28/04/2015 approved.
- Matters arising

Used uniform sale, initially proposed by Sally Faulkes, DR to contact Sally to see if she is still willing to oversee this and offer PTA support.

• Correspondance

None since last meeting.

• Financials

Finances generated as AGM, no separate account.

Future spending discussed-

RW presented new challenge. Current IT technology 'creaking'. 3 projectors non functioning. Very few whiteboards interactive. Multiple tablets also in recent need to repair and likely to reach the end of their lifespan shortly. Will probably take the best part of 12 months to scope out what is needed. For full touch screen technology funding in region of 30,000 needed. RW envisages funding of this IT project to be part PTA, part school finances.

Member agreed very valid idea, for project to scan approx 18 months and work in phases as with library.

Agreed funding by PTA- Christmas tree, class presents and music lessons to continue to partially fund.

Led onto conversation about business sponsorship, as occurs for bonfire and beer festival. HO offered to scope out how this would work by contacting Drax power station... outcome to be discussed in next meeting.

HO also suggested big events should be advertised by detailing how they contributed to the school previously, as with beer festival, members agreed good idea.

Concerns raised about whether people realise how PTA funds are spend and true benefit of events. TP raised the idea of a newsletter to her PTA 'PR', all agreed of benefit. TP volunteered to put together newsletter, aiming to distribute paper copy at parents evening as well as via email and on school website to cover all bases.

• Event Feedback

Summer Fayre

Weather clearly affected profit but still £900 made. Frozen actresses a big hit! Late change of date may have also affected profit. Good organisation and wet weather plan with marquees worked. Learning points: more man power, get requests for help in early.

Beer Festival 2015

No financials in yet but early indicators are of a very healthy profit. Very enjoyable. Particularly successful elements- cocktail bar, free children's activities and sand pit 'rousing' hit! Points for reflection: more food- ran out Friday and ? disco for older children- to gain feedback from older children. Continued strong volunteer support vital.

• Fund-raising activities

School Disco

Date set as 22/10/2015 – subsequently amended due to availability KV to contact Dicke Bow disco, if he is unavailable DR to contat another local contact Door entry: £1.50 Timing: KS1 5pm-6pm KS2 6pm-7.30pm, allows time for circuits General fancy dress SF (Force not Fox) agreed to buy harribo DR agreed to buy juice SF (Fox not Force!) agreed to buy cups PTA volunteers: DR, SF(X2), KV, RG, SL Need to appeal for KS2 volunteers To generate email to parents once Dickie Bow confirmed!

South Milford Bonfire

RW attending meeting- ongoing currently Date: 7/11/2015 Sponsorship up on last year but offset by no longer able to get buses to and from Monk Fryston and Sherburn for free. Buses therefore to be funded. School responsibility remains catering inc hot food with South Milford school. New BBQs this year! Not now serving jacket potatoes. Helpers directly affect how much we are given, to include this in volunteer appeal letter and newsletter. School office in process of sending out volunteer appeal letter with reply slip. **Christmas Fayre**

Provisional discussion, finer details TBC in November meeting.
Date 5/12/2015, assuming Hillam lights on the same day.
Start appeal for tombola and raffle prizes now!!!
Redo wreaths this year, DR and SF to source cheaper stock.
?? Can Suzi Cathcart once again do crafts???
SF to ask Dawn O-Connor and Kate Roberts if they are happy to manage Santa's grotto again
SF to ask her mum for a cake to raffle.
Pie n peas big success- redo this year ask EL to source again???

• Fund-raising for the year....

Quiz night, provisional date 18/03/2016, RW to approach quiz master Christmas cards- RW to ask school office to contact company used last year ? late spring event- ideas included Oompah band/beerkeller, disco night, race night.

• Any other business Consider rag collection again

• Next meeting 10/11/2015