



STENTON PARENT COUNCIL

Approved minutes of the Stenton Parent Council Annual General Meeting held on Monday 13th September 2021 via Google Meet

Present: Anna Ross (Chair), Trudi & Guido Bicocchi, Vicki Whetton, Viky Urikova, Susan Wilson, Joanne Legge (Head Teacher) and Suzanne Wilson (Clerk).

Anna opened the meeting, welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Babs & Brian Boyd, Ciaran MacKechnie and Jennie Barugh.
2. **Minutes of last meeting**
The minutes of the Parent Council meeting held on 10th June were approved.
3. **Matters arising from minutes**
School trips
Jo confirmed that school trips are able to go ahead as long as they are within the guidelines set out by the council. There will be a discussion at the next staff meeting about which trips would be relevant to the current topic of food education.
4. **Chair's Report**
Anti-Bullying week
Anna mentioned that this is coming up and Jo confirmed that the school will be marking it under the title Friendship week on 15th - 19th November.
5. **Treasurer's Report**
Ciaran sent an email to confirm the balance of £2,333.73 in the account.
6. **Election of Office Bearers**
Chairperson - Anna requested that she step down as Chair. Trudi Bicocchi offered to take on the role as Chair and Susan Wilson offered to help. Everyone approved this unanimously.
Treasurer - Ciaran requested to step down as treasurer. Vicki offered to take over the role as Treasurer and everyone approved unanimously.
7. **AOCB**
Fundraising
Christmas cards - it was agreed to do the Christmas cards again this year and Trudi offered to send off for the pack. The children will design the cards in school and Suzanne agreed to email parents who have siblings at school to ask if they would prefer for their children to do a joint card or a separate card.
Car Wash - It was agreed to hold a car wash on 15th October either at school or at the hall. Jo agreed to check if the school could be used for this (post meeting note - the school can't be used due to the current restrictions).
50:50 club/raffle - these will also be looked at as additional forms of fundraising.

Forest School - Jo informed the meeting that she has been in discussion with Diane Christopherson (Wilder Outdoor Education) who runs Forest School sessions. She is a qualified teacher as well as a Forest School teacher and can take groups of children over an 8 week period starting on Friday 24th September. The cost for the 8 weeks is around £1,200. Everyone present was very happy that the children will be getting Forest School sessions and the Parent Council can fund the sessions. This funding will be instead of the amount

previously agreed to pay for hall rental and this has been covered by a grant from East Lammermuir Community Council.

End of term show - There was a discussion around the format of an end of term show. Jo suggested that the show would need to be relevant and manageable. There will be further discussion with staff and children in school.

8. Next and subsequent meeting dates

The next Parent Council meetings will take place on the following dates at 8pm:-

Tuesday 12th October 2021

Wednesday 24th November 2021

Thursday 27th January 2022

Monday 28th March 2022

Tuesday 24th May 2022

Until the current restrictions are lifted, these meetings will continue to be virtual.

Anna thanked everyone for coming along and closed the meeting.