

# **Thriftwood School Parents and Friends Association Annual General Meeting**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

## **Members Present**

Claudia Liney, Sam Coldwell, Karen Blackburn

## **Apologies**

Catherine Cameron, Tracey Imhof

## **Chairperson's Report**

CL – thanked committee for another successful year

CL/SC – discussed the problem with having such a small team of volunteers and keeping them. KB has offered to be a member of our PFA which is great. Could do with a few more as we really rely on staff members to help with events etc as lack of interest from parents joining. We have technically not had a Treasurer for over 3 years, SC has picked this up as best as she has been able to. Signatories have changed a few times, the current ones are SC and Jo MacSween, JMac would like to come away from the School's PFA. SC has persuaded another member of staff to be a signatory, TI has accepted to be one, she has also offered to help out with events when she can.

CL/SC – Summer Fete was a huge success. A few parents really stepped up and approached local companies to donate raffle prizes. Some parents even bought raffle prizes for us

CL/SC – Abercorn's Grotto did not happen again last December as we cannot promise to find enough Santa volunteers for 5 weekends (5 hours each day). Abercorn did not think it would be financially viable then.

SC – we've had a successful Staff quiz /bingo night, Christmas raffle and family disco. DJ was free (ex parent governor). Another staff quiz/bingo night in March and hoping to arrange something similar for parents/carers in the summer term as well as another family disco

## **Treasurer's Report**

Excel spreadsheet given out from past 3 years.

We have £10,347.69 as of 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023. A total of £8,868.88 is accounted for us to pay for promised trips spread over the past 3 years. Cheques have been written and given to SEAX Trust to pay into school's account to pay This will leave just over £1,478.81 in account. There is a £120 float for the next event. Bank statements arrive every couple of months and have no online banking yet. This is to hopefully change soon as we have a new signatory

Really lucky as rarely have many outgoings from our account other than licences etc as staff and parents have always been generous with gifts etc

### **Election of Members to the General Committee**

#### **Chairperson**

Claudia Liney

#### **Vice Chairperson**

Karen Blackburn

#### **Treasurer**

Sam Coldwell

#### **Secretary**

Sam Coldwell

#### **The Committee members are;**

Sam Coldwell, Claudia Liney, Catherine Cameron, Karen Blackburn, Tracey Imhof

### **Forthcoming events**

Staff Quiz/bingo night – March 2023

Easter raffle – March 2023

Parents/Carers Bingo/Quiz night – tba – A Friday night in summer term

Family Disco – to be arranged – A Friday night in summer term

Summer Fete – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – 12:15-2:30pm – Volunteers needed

### **Any other business**

We could do with buying another gazebo ready for the summer fete, we already have 2 but could do with another one. This was agreed.

KB suggested some ideas – Mother's & Father's Day stalls – too late for Mother's Day, will consider for Father's Day. Non uniform day, Christmas bazaar. Will discuss ideas at next meeting

### **Date & Time of next meeting**

To be arranged