



Dorin Park PTA AGM Meeting

Wednesday 18 April 2024

Minutes

Time and Location

7.30pm – Teams online

Present

Rob Robertson, Lesley Body, Amanda Hartley, Jay Hartley, Helen Muggleton, Nicole Luijnenburg, Gillian Driscoll, Sarah Adam, Becky Hanna, Maxine Nevitt.

Apologies

Sharon Marsh, Yvonne Winstanley, Naomi Cowley, Lisa Robertshaw, Bridget Aldridge, Becky Mylchreest, Karen Nash, Claire McKelvey.

Items to be minuted

We would like to thank Rob Robertson (Vice Chair of Governors) for attending the meeting. Rob expressed his gratitude towards the PTA during the meeting.

Lesley will authorise the £180 payment for the visit of the therapy pony. The visit was a huge success, all the pupils loved it.

Agreed was to change the name of our PTA Facebook page for parents to 'Dorin Park PTA Private'.

Action – Amanda to send an email to parents.

Action – Amanda / Becky Hanna to change the name on Facebook (and add a picture?)

Actions from previous meeting

- Karen – Karen will try again in March re CO-OP when it opens again – ongoing.
- Lesley – B&Q 'community reuse' scheme – ongoing. Nicole will also look into the Wickes Community Programme (Sarah A. will check what is needed in school)

- Everyone – to keep using Easyfundraising while shopping online – ongoing.

Treasurer Report

We have a total of £13,191.27 in the bank at the moment. Still to be paid is a Santa suit of £370.
See attachment.

Roberts Recycling

Next collections will be in May, July and November.

Fundraising Ideas

Our regular fundraisers that keep us ticking over are:

- School lottery
- Easyfundraising
- Roberts recycling
- Our quarterly raffles

Spring fair – Thursday 2 May (twilight session) – PTA members can help from 1.30pm

Organised in meantime:

-Bouncy castle (£65), will be dropped off at school. We have sand bags in school that we can use. Agreed was not to charge for the bouncy castle. Amanda mentioned we will need to do a risk assessment re the weather.

-Nicole has checked with Space to hire a few of their mascots. Jemma from Space said we can for £15 per mascot. **Nicole and Yvonne are checking if they are free to wear a mascot during the fair.**

-Jay has got DJ equipment for the day.

-Face painting, nail painting, decorate biscuits, photo booth, arts & crafts stall, beat the goalie, outdoor games.

-Helen suggested to use our VR headsets for the fair.

-Action - Maxine to send a letter to parents re an 'own clothes day', parents can donate a bottle for the tombola or a cake for the cake stall.

-Action – Maxine to send a letter / text message to parents about the spring fair.

Chargeable will be:

-Refreshment stall.

-Debbie is more than happy to man the kitchen and we'll sell burgers, sausages (incl vegetarian and gluten free). And we'll sell our own ice creams.

-Stall with teddies, toys and books.

-Becky suggested a toy & book tombola for the children and a bottle tombola for the adults.

-Different ideas were shared for the 'Wonka stall'. We are however not allowed to call it 'Wonka stall' anymore because of copyright. We are now calling it 'Dorin's Delight'. Maxine suggested envelopes, inside some envelopes we put 'congratulations, you've won...'. **Action – Maxine to ask some of the classes to help with the envelopes.**

-Gillian mentioned her son works for Morrisons and gets a 15% discount in case we want to buy chocolates or sweets.

-Raffle, Lesley mentioned we have enough raffle prizes. **Action - Lesley will check how many chocolates / sweets Asda is willing to donate.** Gillian suggested a chocolate tombola and a chocolate hamper.

Action – Karen can't attend the spring fair so she will need to know in advance what float is needed.

Action – tombola prizes will be organised on Monday 29 April, a few PTA members will help out in school that morning at about 9.30am.

Action – to put donation tubs out during the fair.

AOB

Bridget would like to organise another 'Walkathon' in a weekend in May – ongoing.

We will not have another Boohoo sales until we know a lot more about the previous Boohoo scandal which has been in the news.

Helen suggested to organise another choir morning at Starbucks, she will check dates.

There's 25 leavers hoodies needed and the total cost would be £440.95. Jane Rowlinson has let Amanda know that the children have raised £50 towards them themselves. Agreed was for the PTA to pay the difference of £390.95.

Amanda mentioned that Jay has a wish list request: for the PTA to buy our own DJ set for school. Martin, our ICT technician, has put Amanda in contact with one of the parents (Mark) who has said it'll cost between £400 and £500 for a set. Everyone agreed that it would be great to have our own set as can it be used for the school prom on the 2nd of July in Storyhouse, for fairs in school, Halloween, Christmas and in the classes too. All the school would need would be a streaming service for the music element which will cost about £250 per year. Agreed was for the PTA to pay for both as all the children are going to benefit from it. **Action – Amanda to get quotes for the DJ set and look into streaming services.**

Gillian suggested to book the therapy pony again or other animal visits. Maxine suggested around Christmas as it would just be a completely different experience for the children.

Sarah has a request from Jane Rowlinson for the children to have a photo booth at the prom on the 2nd of July. Maxine mentioned that Lorna has a door with a cut out in it that can be used as a photo booth, with props too. Maxine also suggested either an Instax instant camera or disposable cameras for the pupils.

Helen will try to organise a coffee morning for the PTA members once a term after school drop off.

Next PTA Meeting

Our next meeting is scheduled via Teams on Thursday the 16th of May at 7.30pm.

Nicole Luijnenburg

Attached: Finance Report