

MINUTES OF FOTS GENERAL MEETING HELD

3.30 P.M. 11TH NOVEMBER 2016

Those Present: Members of The School Council, Lou Carver (LC), Carrie Wheeler (CW), Denise Freeland (DF), Sarah Saywell (SS), Sasha Williams (SW), Emma Thorne (ET), Maggie Ford (MF), Tina Boon (TB), Lisa Nokes (LN), Anthony Bradbury (AB), Laura Brasted (LB), Yvonne Chenery (YC),

Apologies: Natalie Paine, Karen Beers

1.0 LC opened the meeting and thanked everyone present for attending.

1.1 Report from The School Council

LC welcomed the members of the School Council to the meeting.

The School Council advised the meeting that they had discussed with some of the pupils of the school what they would like FOTS to be able to provide/fundraise for them.

- White lines on the playground for netball/basketball
- Games equipment for the playground
- Large dominoes
- Large Jenga
- Swimming pool to be open for a longer period
- A new shed for storing toys
- Trolley/shelves for toys
- YC requested a thin washing line

The School Council are preparing a survey for the pupils to provide more feedback on actual games and once completed will let FOTS have a copy.

FOTS committee will then discuss the above at their next meeting.

2.0 Forthcoming Events 2016

2.1 Halloween Overview – The Halloween Tuck & Games was a great success and we received positive feedback from pupils & parents. It was felt however that we could have done with more helpers and more space as the event was well attended and very busy at times. £88.00 was made on the games, with around £8.00 to be deducted for prizes/sweets.

2.2 Christmas Shop 16th December 2016 – Letters have gone out in book bags. Helpers needed in the morning of the day to help wrap the gifts and distribute to the pupils.

2.3 Christmas Panto – As in previous years FOTS have agreed to pay for the coaches. This year's cost is £400.00 due to two coaches being required.

2.4 Christmas Disco 16th December 2016 – Helpers needed for the evening to help serve food & drinks. LC advised the meeting that Tesco had again been very generous with their donations. They will be supplying all the bread rolls for this event.

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2.5 Christmas Party, Games & Santa Visit 20th December 2016 – Again helpers needed for this event. This year FOTS were looking at party bags filled with sandwiches/crisps etc. for the children to be able to collect, along with a cracker and napkin before they are seated. It was felt this would be more hygienic and less time consuming to prepare. Positive feedback from the meeting was received regarding this. Tesco will also be donating various items for this event.

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3.0 Swimming Pool – Maintenance/Upkeep

LC informed the meeting that whilst FOTS are not obligated to cover the cost of the pool maintenance, it was felt that continued support from FOTS was of great benefit to the School. LC then asked the Members present at the meeting if there could be a vote taken for FOTS to continue with supporting the maintenance/upkeep of the Pool. The vote was unanimous in favour of continuing with this support.

LC advised that last year’s cost to Manor Pool for the pool maintenance was £798.89 and that she would look into costings for next year in due course.

LC

4.0 Fundraising Suggestions for 2017

TM informed the meeting that Parklands would continue to donate money to FOTS from their fundraising.

Other suggestions for 2017 fundraising were mentioned:-

- Mother’s Day Raffle
- Art Gallery, art done by children that could be auctioned, maybe a lunchtime club could be set up for this?

The Committee to look into the above further in due course.

Committee

5.0 Any other business

CW informed the meeting that helpers for Tuck Shop were still needed and that she had the rota with her if anyone was able to fill it out with dates they are available.

CW

LC confirmed that the FOTS petty cash box and notice board had been ordered.

LC asked if the committee members could please make sure they respond to any emails they receive regarding FOTS business.

Committee

LC asked if all those committee members that are not DBS cleared for the school could please see Tina in the school office to make arrangements for this to be carried out.

Committee

Meeting closed 4.00 p.m.