

Friends of St Wilfrid's School

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Minutes

Date	17/11/2022	Location:	St. Wilfrid's Primary School
Start time:	19:45	Chair:	Kim Waterhouse/Jessica Finn
Finish Time:	22:00	Minutes:	Alastair Scragg

Present:	Apologies:
Committee Members:	Keira Philo
Jessica Finn	Debbie Hannan
Kim Waterhouse	
Richard Bowman	
Zoe Fryer	
Louise Bennett	
Sarah Milton-Hunt	
Maura Allvey	
Emily Haniff	
Julia Perry	
Alastair Scragg	
Also present:	
Joel Upton	
Pauline Beresford	
Gilly Sadler	
Alex Crowder	

Agenda item	Discussion	Action
Approval of previous minutes and action points:	The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed, except for the reference to the price of the disco tickets, which should have been recorded as £4 rather than £5.	
Financial update	 The October Disco made a profit of approximately £1,500 (£2,200 turnover, £700 expenses). This was an increase in profit from the October Disco in 2021 (£1,400). 	
	 Astra Clothes Recycling income is £140 so far this year. 	
	 FOSW have also received a £500 donation from Charity Aid Foundation. However, FOSW has not been able to determine what this is in respect of. 	
	 FOSW funds have been used to purchase Reception book bags, and musical instruments 	

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Richard to arrange a giant teddy prize. RB		Richard to arrange a giant teddy prize.	RB

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	 FOSW will donate a prize if insufficient prizes are donated. 	
	 Mansell McTaggart want to erect a gazebo on Friday evening (circa 20:00). The committee determined that Saturday morning is preferred. Maura to go back and ask if they can do 08:00 on Saturday. 	MA
	 Richard to buy chocolate coins for "Guess the number of chocolate coins" 	RB
	Julia has sorted the prizes for all games	
	 Crib sheets for stall holders regarding running the stall. – Julia to send it to Kim. 	JP
	 Tickets - All games shall be charged at 50p except for the Nerf game and tombola. 	
	 If tickets are ordered in advance, then there will be a collection table so those that have pre- booked can collect quickly. 	
	 Santa and costume are all sorted. Santa's son may be helping, but not yet confirmed. 	
	 Planning has been based upon 10 children visiting Santa every 15 mins. Richard confirmed that the Grotto, books and wrapping paper have been arranged. The final numbers on the number of children won't be known until the day before the fair. Richard to review the number of bookings on Wednesday (30/11/2022) to help with preparations. 	RB
	 Each child will also get a chocolate coin on leaving the Grotto. Zoe will purchase coins and ensure that there are some diary-free coins as well. 	ZF
	 Keira has bought "I've seen Father Christmas stickers". 	
	 Jess is going to Bookers to purchase food and drink for the café. 	JF
	Emily to provide Hot Chocolate dispensers.	EH
	 Year 4 are providing homemade baked goods to be sold for 50p-£1:00. 	
	 Mulled Apple Juice to be sold. Zoe to arrange the apple juice with the provider. 	ZF
	 Jess to arrange Mulled Wine and Keg. 	JF
	 Outsourced Food and Drink trucks are also attending. 	01
	 Julia confirmed that the choir was already been arranged. They will warm up in a classroom. The performance is likely to last longer than 15 mins. 	
	 Sarah confirmed that Becky is happy to sing at the event but does not want to lead in singing carols. Around 13:45-14:00 before the raffle, on the stage in the main hall. Sarah to confirm if 	SMH

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	Becky would be happy to take part in the singing of the carols.	
	 Emily has arranged the children's crafts and sourced the materials. Keira has previously said she would arrange tags (around 100). Emily to confirm the cost per decoration before confirming the price they should be sold for. Likely to be between 50p-£1:00. 	KP/EH
	 Currently struggling with volunteer numbers for the fair. Julia thought that Mr Hateley would be amenable to a tick box form for volunteers to be included in a book bag drop. 	
	 Committee agreed that only adults would run the stalls. 	
	 Emily's Mum has also volunteered to help. 	
	 Of the external stall holders, only one is yet to pay. 	
	 Kim has been approached by a Christmas tree collection company that will recycle old trees for a charge of £5 charge per tree, £2 of which goes to FOSW. 	
	Disco Friday 3 March	
	 Volunteers are required to run the Spring discos. Jess is happy to volunteer but doesn't want to continue to lead. Pauline volunteered to take the lead. 	РВ
	 Emily received feedback that dates aren't out in advance enough. It was agreed that the date of the Spring discos can be more widely circulated in conversation and WhatsApp groups as they are confirmed with the school. 	
	 June disco date to be confirmed. The date of 23/06/2023 was proposed as the preferred date, following SATs in May and the Isle of Wight trip on the week of 05/06/2022-09/06/2022. A backup date of 16/06/2023 was also proposed, although this is Father's Day weekend and so child availability may be more restricted. DJ availability will also need to be checked. Kim to check the availability of the school for 23/06/2022. 	KW
	Other events	
	 Key Stage 2 Film Screening KS2 film screening is currently a non-starter due to the unavailability of the school. 	
	 Zoe and Julia to check the availability of the school with the office again. 	ZF/JP
	 Fireworks/Camp-out Events Mr Hateley has raised the possibility of fireworks night and camp-out events. There are not currently enough volunteers to be able to run it at present. Emily would be happy to organize it 	

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	and have her husband run it. Richard is also interested in helping.	
	 Safeguarding considerations would need to be considered. 	
	 Would need to draw up a waiver so that each adult is accountable for the children under their care. School is just providing facilities. 	
	 Jess is also happy to help with the organisation. 	
	 Richard to see if there are any required licenses/permissions to hold an overnight event. 	RB
	 Campout is to be included as an agenda item for the next meeting. 	KW/JF
	Decoration Competition	
	 Christmas tree decorations submissions are to start from 21/11/2022. 	
	£1 entry	
	 The deadline for submissions is 02/12/2022, however, the winner is likely to be announced in the last school week of the year. 	
	2 prizes per key stage.	
Other Business	Logo Competition RB	
	 A good number of entries were submitted for the logo competition. 	
	The final decision will be made by Mr Hateley.	
	 Consideration is currently being given to combining two entries into the final logo. Both entrants would be awarded a prize. 	
	Website SMH	
	 No update on the website at this point. Once we have the logo, Sarah will be able to progress. 	SMH
	<u>Doughies</u>	
	 FOSW have received an email from Doughies regarding selling their pizza dough and cookie dough kits. 	
	 Kits can be pre-ordered and delivered to the school, with children collecting them and taking them home to make. 	
	 FOSW would take a margin on each kit sold. 	
	Questions were raised around:	
	 whether the school would need to refrigerate the kits once delivered to the school, but before collection? 	
	how big the kits were?	
	what do other schools do?	
	Kim to respond to the company with questions.	KW

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	 Kits would need to be provided on a no-refund basis to avoid issues with non-collection. 	
	Stage equipment quote SMH	
	 Sarah has received a quote for the stage equipment that the school would like to purchase. Jess and Sarah will speak to Mr Hateley once Sarah has reviewed the quote. 	JF/SMH
	£50k-£60k is likely to be the fundraising target.	
	Class Reps	
	 The appointment of Class Reps to help with the distribution of FOSW information to individual classes has previously been discussed. 	
	 Mr Hateley has requested that this information distribution channel should be kept separate from the school. 	
	 Committee decided to try and encourage two parents per class (so to act as Class Reps and forward FOSW WhatsApp flyers/messages to Class WhatsApp groups. 	All
	 FOSW members can act as a backup in there are not enough volunteers. 	
	Fundraising	
	1. Christmas Cards	
	 Julia confirmed that the child-designed Christmas cards have now been received, but other items such as tea towels not yet in. 	
	 Christmas card orders have raised £608.47 raised for FOSW this year, compared to £552 last year. 	
	 No complaints were received regarding the use of the online ordering system. 	
	Other fundraising updates- textile bin, ink recycling, StickIns	
	 September 2021 to August 2022, £600 was raised through the textile bin. September 2022 to November 2022, £140 has been raised. 	
	 Committee members have been receiving queries as to where the FOSW money goes. This should be helped by the FOSW website once it is up and running which will give accessibility to the information. 	
	 Wine Tasting February/March: Grape and Graham ("GG") have quoted £15 per person, and this is the preferred quote at this point. Emily to confirm with GG what is included in this quote. Glasses are provided, and beers and some non- alcoholic wines (one red, white, and sparkling) are also available. Event tickets will be charged at £25. Emily to check whether the company offer cheese and crackers and will circulate more 	EH

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	information to the Committee via the FOSW WhatsApp group once she has it.	
	 Richard to organise a 2023 Envelope fundraising challenge in January 2023, as last year, with the intention to use it to mention what big items (stage equipment?) we are raising funds for. 	RB
	<u>Fees</u>	
	 Committee noted that voluntary contributions towards online booking costs are dropping, having a direct impact on the profitability of events for FOSW. This reduction in contributions was attributed to the current economic situation and the cost-of-living crisis 	
	 Committee acknowledged that whilst it was not tenable for FOSW to continue to absorb the online booking costs incurred, child participation in events should not be impacted. 	
	 Committee agreed that contributions towards online booking costs for child events should remain voluntary but should be built into the cost of the tickets for adult events. 	
	FOSW dinner	
	 FOSW Committee Members dinner to take place in the new year. Jess and Kim to circulate a doodle poll of potential dates. 	JF/KW
	Additional Event Ideas	
	 End of School Year Adults 80's/90's disco Attendees could bring their own food, but drinks would be sold by FOSW. 	
	Emily offered to organize the event.	
	 Sarah suggested 80's song bingo, which Becky would help with along with her friend Clare. 	
	 Emily to put together a proposal and send it to Kim and Jess to share with Mr Hateley. 	EH/KW/JF
	 Colour run for children Emily suggested a colour run for children. The costs of the colours are quite expensive, so it was suggested that children bring their own t-shirt, rather than include one in the ticket price to keep costs down. 	
	 Break the rules day / Wear PJs to school day Break the rules day has been suggested in the past but raised concerns about what was permissible and how it would be controlled. Could be viable if the narrative around "breaking the rules" was carefully worded. Wear PJs to school day may be a simpler option. 	
	Hot Chocolate after the school day This would be dependent on the number of volunteers.	
	School Trips	

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	 Members raised the prospect of FOSW contributing to school trips as some years haven't been on a school trip, and do not have one organized at present. Kim and Jess to raise this with Mr Hateley. 		KW/JF
	Events 2022/2023 Update		
	Christmas Fair -	Saturday 3 December	
	Term 2 Disco -	Friday 3 March	
	Quiz/AGM -	Friday 24 March	
	Spring event/picnic -	Friday 28 April	
	Term 3 Disco -	TBD June	
	Summer Fair -	Saturday 15 July	
2022/23 Dates	Thursdays – 2 February 2023		
	27 April 2023		
	8 June 2023		
Next Meeting	2 February 2023		