

Minutes of Mordiford Primary School PTFA Committee meeting

9th March 2015

ACTIONS

1. Present: Julie Homersley, Michelle Storrer, Kim Dales, Miss Finney, Jo Evans, Sian Edwards, Al Watson, Mel Edwards, Maria Fernandez, Ali Watkins, Al Fraser, Simon Mair, Louisa Tobin, Laura Plant
2. Apologies
Victoria Oaten, Sam Taylor, Hazel Watson
3. The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed.
4. Matters Arising
 - a) Footpath – ongoing. Ali Watkins confirmed she had contacted and sent all the relevant information directly to Enterprise Inns. Miss Finney explained that the children from the School Council rang the Parish Council & left messages to encourage action to be taken.
 - b) Sound/ Cinema equipment grant – Kerry Rowlatt has re-priced the equipment and sent the pricing to the local authority for sourcing bids to be checked out. The grant application will be sent to the lottery before Easter.
 - c) Website/ Texting Service – Miss Finney provided an update that a dummy website has been produced and whilst there is more information required, it is nearly sorted out.
 - d) Tuck shop trolley/ School Council – An order is ready for buying a trolley. Miss Finney to check total amount and confirm price. Miss Finney
 - e) Road Safety – Simon Mair (parent Governor) updated us on the ongoing situation regarding road safety outside the school. The Governors are in communication with the County & Parish Councils and both entities realise there is an issue. The Parish Council is concerned by the amount of traffic which passes the School, whilst the Governors are concerned for the safety of the children. Various scenarios have been and are being looked at and they all require a huge amount of money. As an interim solution plans to move the footpath have been discussed and a letter sent to the Ramblers association for their views. In the meantime, Simon stressed parents/ carers dropping children off should park responsibly and be seen to be doing the right thing whilst a resolution is found. Julie to put a note in the newsletter. Julie
 - f) Year 6 leavers – Jo Evans spoke to Mr Foster & he will confirm what he would like to do with the allocated money for 6 year leavers. Miss Finney agreed that a Dragon Weather Vein would be a good leavers present to the school.
5. Treasurer's Report
Bank balances: deposit account - £2,731 & current account - £6,851.
£2,500 of the money is earmarked for the cinema equipment.
6. Head Teacher's Update

Miss Finney had a “wish list” of the following things:

- Library needs a facelift & reinvention
- 6 picnic benches in the Dragon’s Den need to be replaced – Sian to speak to Mr Morgan at the wood yard to see if we could get materials so volunteers could make them. Plus Julie to put into newsletter to see if anyone would sponsor a bench or donate materials.
- Quiet area in the playground with decking & bench.

Sian

Julie

7. Pre-meeting coffee morning

It wasn’t too badly attended with a few new faces & there were useful discussions of stuff to take forward. It was agreed that the coffee mornings would continue and they would be advertised with slips in book bags.

8. Calendar of Events for 2015

a) Year Groups events:

- Clare Morrall (yr 6) is organising the Comenius Ceilidh on 19th May. Confirm if there will be a bar & if adult & children to attend.
- Year 4 quiz night – date change to Thurs 30/4/15 at 7.30pm
- Year 3 to do bingo or summer social – 3rd July & dress down day tbc
- Year 1 volunteered to do an Easter Egg hunt on 26/3/15 after school. Refreshments, tea and cakes.
- Year 2 – Mordifest on 13/6/15. Dress down day on 05/06/15 for filled jam jars. A stand requested for Mordiford Council plan at the event. Require raffle prizes.

b) Committee Events:

- Next Working party – 21/3/15 2-4p.m Victoria to sort out posters & Miss Finney to provide list of jobs to be circulated a few days in advance to sort out equipment required.
- Rags 2 Riches 25/3/15 – volunteers needed to help with the bags.

9. Marquee hire/ Additional Marquee

A suggestion was made to buy another marquee (6x12m) for events and hiring it out. The main issue is storage. Miss Finney has a marquee contact so she will get a price. Julie to put in newsletter that the marquee is for hire.

Julie

10. Email gathering

It was agreed that the new website will cover distribution for all events.

11. Any Other Business

There was no other business

12. Date of next meeting: Monday 20th April 2015.

Coffee morning: 17/4/15.