

Mon 18th September 2017

FOLS AGM

Minutes of Meeting

Present: Jill Ryder (Head of Learning), Matt Matthew (Link Academy Business Manager), Kate Burch, Jenny Stone, Christine Pascoe, Steph Gibbs, Anna Hattersley, Merry Whitaker

Apologies: Jane Halling, Saskia, Jenny Farrell, Jenny Kay

1. **Chair's Report.**

2. **Treasurer's Report** – See attached. Points to note:

a. The sponsored swim, which had not been expected to raise much. The decision was taken that this should be done again next year, providing the pool repeat it. Efforts will be made to get sufficient adults in the pool so that under 8's can take part. It was noted that this is the only sponsored event that FOLs has and that keeping it to one a year will maintain the goodwill of friends and families.

b. Waterstones vouchers for the Year 6 Leavers are to become an annual contribution from FOLs to the school.

c. Parents are encouraged to use the Tesco uniform service as the school gets a 5% donation for every order placed. The service is only for branded uniform items so socks/PE shorts etc are not available.

d. Parents are encouraged to sign up to the 100 Club, which Lizzie Cann administrates. You have a one in a hundred chance every month to win up to £200 at the cost of just £4 per month donation. If the club is fully subscribed then the school raises £200 a month from this activity.

e. Comparatively little has been spent this year as a result of saving for funds to pay for the new play trail.

3. **Committee Members' Election.** The current committee were happy to stay on for another year, less Hannah Parker as Vice Chair, who has left the school. A suggestion was made that car parking spaces at the top of the car park be provided for committee members to encourage people to come forward for roles (no further action taken on this). New committee members for the year are:

a. Chair – Kate Burch. Nominated by Merry, seconded by Jenny.

b. Vice Chair – Christine Pascoe. Nominated by Merry, seconded by Jenny.

- c. Treasurer – Jenny Stone. Nominated by Merry, seconded by Kate.
- d. Secretary – Merry Whitaker. Nominated by Kate, seconded by Jenny.

4. **Play Trail Update.** Kate has successfully applied and been granted £10,000 of lottery funding towards the new trail, with a further £10,000 hopefully coming from the Staverton grant (following completion of answers to conditions), a potential £1-4,000 from Tesco's and the money in the FOLs account. Four bids were considered and the contract is likely to be awarded to Earthwrights once the money is in place. The cost of the trail is £29,000.

5. **Academy Parent's Night.** It was decided that other schools within the trust would be approached to see if they would like to do a joint fundraising event. The event will be an evening event aimed at parents, with music, dancing, food, bar etc. Please let Kate know if you would be interested in being involved in the planning of this. Initial date for the event is 23rd June 2018.

6. **Future Events.**

28th Sep 6pm at School– Kids' Fashion Show

9th Oct TBC – Initial planning meeting for the Academy joint parents' function.

3rd Nov 9am at the School House - Christmas Fair Planning Meeting

1st Dec 3.30pm at School – Christmas Fair (and Mufti)

19th Jan 18 3.30pm at School – Film night and mufti day

27th April 18 3.30pm at School – Film night and mufti day

23rd June 18 – Parents event (details TBC)