

Minutes for PTA Members Meeting: Tuesday 10th January 2018

7.00pm St Catherine's School

In attendance:

Alessandra Parello (Chair), Nina Chwastek (Head teacher), Debbie Lynch (Treasurer), Mandy Harris (Teacher Rep), Vinnett Walsh (Secretary), Antoinette Meskill, Amanda Zacharzewski, Jane Zacharzewski, Helen Finch, Anna Kerins, Sarah Conlon

1. Apologies:

Sarah Daly , Jamie Richardson, Paul Wheeler, Cath Cunningham, Carola Guevera

2. The minutes from the last PTA

Minutes agreed.

3. Financial update:

- Movie Night £738.89
- Xmas Party £2055.46
- Mulled wine and hampers event £1126.37
- Bank account balance £5471.08
- Total raised so far £3958.50

4. Review of recent events:

Christmas party

• Feedback from parents was for the PTA to review cost of the Christmas party for larger families. This will be considered for next Christmas.

5. Forthcoming events

Disco – No tickets on sale on the night. Tickets only available via ParentMail. Signing in and out – children to be lined up by year group. Check out one-year group at a time with two members of teaching staff to assist in identifying parents.

Action – Text to be sent out informing parents they cannot purchase tickets on the night. Action – Volunteers/helpers to email Alessandra

Coffee Morning 9 February – Alessandra to confirm if we need volunteers to make cake donations.

Non-uniform day 15 February - £1 cash only

Social event - **2 March** – DJ organised, cost will be £15 for disco, fun games, a light bite and a glass of prosecco. Chips, bacon butties cupcakes were suggested as possible light bites ! **Action** – All to think about and arrange great prizes that can be won on the night and games that can be played. Prizes should be experiences such as wine tasting etc

Didsbury Festival 16 June – Awaiting invitation to attend and theme. **Action** : To think of games for children as this was a hit last year.

Summer Fair – Discussed whether to have a magician or the same DJ that we had at the Christmas party. Possibly look at using the grass area but we need to get permission from Father John.

Action - Alessandra to arrange organising committee for the fair.

Miss Chwastek thanked the PTA and Mr Lynch for the wonderful sports kit.

6. AOB

Outgoing Chair and Treasurer of PTA

Action – School to put notification in the newsletter regarding upcoming replacement of the Chair and Treasurer

PTA attendance – Everyone should try to improve attendance at PTA meetings. All present to bring a friend to the next meeting. Anyone on Whatsapp group to put notice of next meeting on and encourage parents to attend.

Co-op Local Community Fund – St Catherine's PTA has been selected by the Co-op to be a local cause benefitting from their new Membership scheme. The scheme donates 1% of all Co-op branded purchases by Co-op members to local good causes. Parents, carers, friends and family will be able to raise money for the PTA by shopping at the co-op. Cards cost £1

Action: Chair of PTA to write something for the newsletter about this funding and easy fundraising.

Playing for 18 – **Action** - School council to choose the winner. £10 voucher will go to the winner.

7. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 28th February 2018 7pm