

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 9TH JULY 2018 @ 7.30PM

Present: Sarah Hudson (Chair), Roger Berry (Treasurer), Wendy Papagno (Secretary), Steve Bachelor, Michael Hall, Paul Tassell, Julie Griggs, Charlotte McClymont and Jennie Creasey

Apologies: Caroline May (Vice-Chair), Mark Tomkins, Pauline Coppard, Emma Foreman, Irene Santineer

Minutes of the last meeting (Monday, 14th May 2018)

All agreed that the Minutes of the last meeting were a correct and true account.

Treasurer's Report

RB ran through the points on the latest report. There was a balance of £35K, taking out cheques and floats there was just under £30K. £10,000 in the No. 2 account for the pavilion.

The 6th Form Common Room furniture had cost slightly more than initially thought and the PA had agreed to pay a contribution of £11,600 rather than the initial £10,000. £320 agreed to spend on Speech Day prizes.

New china had also been bought for £194. This didn't go through as a bid because we use the china for functions as well as the school.

Upcoming Events

Theatre Trip, Thursday, 20th August: School of Rock – all sold.

Golf Day, Saturday, 15th September: Nothing further to report, however, there has been discussion about moving the venue back to the original one.

Firework Night, Saturday, 3rd November: SH had been in touch with a letting agent about paying for boards to be put up advertising the event. Possible £300 profit.

Trip to Bruges: PT had booked two coaches and crossings. This would be £35, the same as last year. Details would go out at the beginning of the new term in September.

Year 10 Parents Evening and Year 6 Evening: help had been sorted for these events.

Event Ideas for 2019

- CM talked about an outdoor cinema. She had some prices from Luna Cinema and Odeon.
- Murder Mystery Night. PT talked about a recent event he had attended. CM had also attended one and recommended it.

- Family Festival – all different MGS bands throughout the afternoon.
- Family Bingo
- Beatles Tribute – CM mentioned a band of ex-Maidstonians that were good.

SH had signed up to Survey Monkey, a survey to put out in September to parents asking what events they like

GDPR

SH said that she had attended a meeting about this and Mark wants to send one email out to parents with a tick box asking who they wanted to have communication with i.e. the Old Maidstonians, MGSPA, just school etc. There was a discussion about how this would work.

PT suggested offering people the opportunity to go into a draw for completing the form and agreeing to still receive information from the MGSPA. Perhaps tickets to Bruges or the Fireworks Night. Everyone felt this was a good idea. SH to run the suggestion passed Hazel or Denise.

Calendar of Events for 2019

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| Quiz Night | - | before February half term |
| Battle of Bands evening | - | PT suggested some of the school bands could compete to support an outside band |
| Spring Fair | - | sometime in March (16 th or 23 rd) |

CM asked if we ever ask the children for ideas about what they would like.

SH said that it was important to keep the dates free once we had booked events, however, WP said that it wasn't always possible if family events came up during the year that clashed with pre-booked events. WP said that she felt that our focus should be on recruiting new members. PT agreed that if there were more members then if some of the Committee members couldn't attend an event there were still plenty others that could.

AOB

RB has asked St Johns Ambulance to be available for the Fireworks Night. Fireworks to be paid for at the end of August, approx. £2.6K. SH will contact food vendors in due course.

RB to do a year end report before handing over to SB.

JC raised about the possibility of using BACS payments when paying for events/tickets. There was a discussion around the difficulties using this.

WP had advised SH that she would not stand for re-election as Secretary at the next AGM.

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 10th September 2018