



Maidstone Grammar School Parents' Association

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON MONDAY, 11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017 @ 7.30PM

Present: Sarah Hudson (Chairman), Roger Berry (Treasurer), Wendy Papagno (Secretary), Claire Attwell, Irene Santineer, Pauline Coppard, Emma Foreman, Julie Griggs, Jennie Creasy, Steve Batchelor, Paul Tassell and Michael Hall

Apologies: Mark Tomkins (Headmaster), Caroline May (Vice-Chairman), Karen Shaw  
Steph Ritchie

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Minutes of the last meeting (Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017)

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

Treasurer's Report

Roger ran through his report. One cheque was outstanding, the fireworks were due to be paid for soon and the deposit had been paid for the Eric Bristow night.

£9,741.89 available after commitments.

The accounts period finished on 31 August and Roger would complete the accounts and present them at the AGM.

Sarah handed Roger £60 for the 100 Club and £169 from the second hand uniform shop.

Upcoming Events

***Race Night – Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> October:*** All 8 races had been sponsored at £25 each. In addition, some horses and jockeys have also been sponsored at £2 & £5 each. There was a discussion over the prizes for the jockey and the owner – possibly a bottle of wine rather than a percentage of the takings.

Claire, Wendy, Sarah, Pauline and Emma to help on the night.

***Year 7 Welcome Evening and BBQ – Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> October (3pm-6pm):*** Sarah, Pauline, Irene and Jenni were available to help at this event.

***AGM - Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> October (7.30pm):*** everyone would be present at this and the committee meeting would follow.

***Year 6 Open Evening (4pm-7pm):*** Claire, Wendy, Irene, Sarah and Steve available to help at this event. Year 7 and 8 children would act as guides.

**Fireworks – Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> November:** Fireworks have been bought. Sarah had already got a large burger van, candy floss, gourmet grill, fish and chips and a mobile pizza. Jenni asked if she needed any further stalls as she had a friend who had a crepe stall. Sarah had actually tried to get in touch with her already but Jenni would chase it up

Sarah suggested hiring some portaloos. It was agreed that three would be sufficient.

Paul would buy more glow sticks than last year as these were very popular and sold out very quickly.

**Bruges Trip – Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> December:** Paul had booked one coach. This would either be a 49 or 53 seater. The price would be £35, the same as last year. This meant we didn't have to sell all the seats to break even.

**Xmas Wreath Making – Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> December (6.30pm-9.30pm):** Pauline said if anyone could help getting greenery the week before that would be helpful. She needed holly and green conifer. It can be dropped off by the canteen. Julie offered to help on the night.

### 2018 Events

2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2018	-	Quiz Night
9 <sup>th</sup> March 2018	-	Darts Night
18 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	-	Tribute Night
7 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	-	Summer Event

There was discussion around arranging another event in June or perhaps having an “It's a Knock Out” with Sports Day.

### Fundraising

100 Club – some people had bought numbers. Sarah to push this.

Easy Fundraising - £4,578.13 had been raised – there had been a new joiner today.

Recycling Bin – Sarah had put to Mark and Heather about putting a clothes recycling bin by the archway. Heather was concerned about the risk of fire. An alternative site was on the grass. This would take recycled clothes and shoes. They pay £500-£600 per tonne.

Toners – Roger said that he had received two payments from recycling toners. Sarah said another cheque for £30 is due.

### AOB

Pauline raised about the state of the soft furnishings in the 6<sup>th</sup> Form area. She said that they looked very bad and could the fabric be changed for something that could be wiped clean. It looked bad when outside visitors were shown around. Apparently this wasn't that old and was misused by previous 6<sup>th</sup> Formers.

Paul said that there was one space left on the fireworks firing course on Sunday if anyone knew anyone who was interested.

Roger raised about ticketing and reminding parents to park responsibly. Sarah to speak to the Leisure Centre.

#### Date of Next Meetings

The AGM will be held on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 7.30pm.