



Axe Valley Academy PTFA

AGM Monday 29th January 2018 at 7.00pm

Present:

Jo Huscroft (Chair),	Kate Pemberton,	Jo Hawkins,	Claire Price
Heidi Rorstad (Secretary),	June Coplestone,	Caz Jeffries,	Jennie Cackett
Louise Wain (Vice-Chair),	Rachel Wiltshire,	Emma Heighway,	Samantha Dissanayake,
Jacky Lomax (Treasurer),			

Jo welcomed everyone especially the new faces, we all introduced ourselves and gave our connection with the school.

Appointments

Jo agreed to continue to stand as Chair agreed by everyone.

Kate offered to stand as secretary in place of Heidi as she has access to the school parentmail as well as to school and PTFA Facebook, this was seconded by Jacky and Jo and agreed by everyone.

Both Heidi and Louise offered to stand as Vice-chair, but it was agreed that Louise should continue for the present as she is currently the only 2nd signatory on the bank account.

Jacky agreed to continue to stand as Treasurer, seconded by Kate and agreed by everyone.

The Constitution

Jacky raised the issue of the current constitution which is no longer fit for purpose and has suggested we update to a more suitable version that is more in line with our current practise. To this end the officers will arrange for this to be put in place prior to the next meeting.

At the same time the name will be updated to Axe Valley Academy PTFA and the bank account reviewed.

Communications

The PTFA Facebook page seems the easiest way to communicate with everyone, with parentmail and email as a back-up. The new school Facebook page has just been launched and will not be linked with the PTFA page at the moment.

Treasurer's Report

Jacky didn't have the copy of the report with her, but a copy of the account is attached.

A summary is as follows:

2nd September 2016 – 1st September 2017

Opening Balance:		£ 5,442.88
Income:		
	Local Giving	£ 787.85
	Minster Challenge 2016	£ 822.46
	Concerts & Raffles	£1,211.58
	Donations	£1,512.00
		£ 4,333.89
Outgoings:		
	Music Hive & Clubs	£1,912.36
	Plants in quad, Bullying training and clubs	£1,400.00
	Parent Teacher Association	£ 113.00
	ARC Charity	£ 50.00
		£ 3,508.20
Closing Balance:		£ 6,286.57
Committed spending:		
	German exchange 2016/17	£1,000.00
	German exchange 2017/18	£1,000.00
	Sports Activities (2015)	£1,290.00
	Sports Activities (2016)	£1,300.00
	Music Hive 2017	£1,200.00
	Clubs 2017	£ 250.00
		£6,040.00
Net Balance:		£ 228.57
Plus 100 Club Balance (separate account)		£ 492.00
	Total:	£ 720.57

Since September 2017 to the end of the Year 2017 the following amounts have been added:

Income:		Outgoings:	
Local Giving	£ 519.41	Music Hive	£1,200.00
Minster Challenge 2017	£ 281.50	German Exchange:	£ 500.00
Summer Production 2017	£ 926.01	St John's Ambulance	£ 81.60
Autumn Concert 2017	£ 180.60	Hydroponic light	£ 75.43

Recent Spending:

Without the benefit of the accounts we discussed the main areas the PTFA usually assists with funding including.

- Music Hive
- Laptops to support 'Read Write Gold' to help with special exam access arrangements
- Sports equipment
- Clubs and Activities

Specific requests and suggestions for future spending will be considered at future meetings. It was agreed that we would like to identify some key goals that will help to motivate students and parents to get involved with the PTFA.

Main Events Recap in 2017

- **Minster Challenge** - is usually organised for the 1st Sunday of October. 2017 was poorly attended, but also the first year with stormy weather conditions. Jo and Heidi agreed they would be happy to continue to organise the event this year. The money from Minster Challenge usually goes to the PE department.
- **Refreshments at Concerts and events** - Jo explained that helpers agreed to attend on the Facebook event page and then turned up and helped with selling refreshments and clearing up on the day. Jacky mentioned that she and Kate have in the past bought and prepared refreshments and that this needed to be factored in to the process.
- **Raffles at events.** Prizes are donated by PTFA members and always make a good profit, particularly now that the school no longer charges for tickets to concerts.

Possible Events for 2018 and Beyond

- **Music event** – Mr Jevons is planning a music and poetry evening later this term, if PTFA are needed to help with refreshments we will post a request on Facebook page.
- **Easter Bingo** - Louise suggested that we run a bingo evening with Easter egg prizes. It's a fun and easy to run event to be discussed at next meeting and arranged if possible for before the end of term.
- **Summer Fete on 8th July** – The ASPIRE Young Enterprise Club represented by June are keen to organise a summer fete with musical performances, stalls run by students, refreshments run by the PTFA. In principle this was considered a good idea, but the date would need to be approved by the school and details discussed at future meetings.
- **Football event:** Jacky mentioned that Andy Franklin has suggested he might organise a football tournament on the AGP with refreshments organised by the PTFA. This would normally happen at the end of the football season in May/June. Jacky will speak to Andy to see if he is still keen to organise an event.
- Other ideas invited for next meeting.

Next Meeting The next meeting will be on **26th February 2018 at 6pm** in Head's office. Please meet in Reception and use the front entrance off Chard Street.