

Friends Meeting January 11th 2016

6.00pm Upper Wharfedale School Library

Present: Helen Carlisle, Trudy Balderson, Andrew Taylor, Liz Whitaker Sally Bullock, Alison Heseltine

Apologies: Alison Heseltine,

- Minutes of the Last Meeting: Were agreed to be a true and accurate representation of the meeting held 9th November. Proposed TB seconded SH
- Welcome of a new member: Friends were delighted to welcome Victoria Benn as a new member and look forward to working with her.
- Matters Arising:
 - Bag packing** – the date was inconvenient and so did not happen, there is also some difficulty in pinning students down to help. Next time to focus on years with a specific project in mind i.e. Yr 11 for the prom. To try an early approach to Tesco for next time SB to follow up.
 - The Awards Evening** – An excellent event enjoyed by all who attended. AT reported the Town Hall staff were brilliant, nothing was too much trouble. Some profit made on sponsorship and it will be an annual event. VB agreed to do a report for Craven Herald.
 - Website Fee** – Friends need to pay this £420.00 – agreed to continue this on an annual basis unless funds restrict this – PAY TO SCHOOL.
- Race Night / Casino Night: There was some discussion / ideas offered for this event – possibly to aim for a summertime slot. Spot prizes for the best dressed lady /hat. Raffle tickets used for money / drinks. The main cost is the croupier – more details to follow at the next meeting. Dates to avoid – Exam time (early May – end June – Grassington Festival 17 June to 2 July) To try and include the wider community. Suggested music (DJ – dancing after the croupiers leave – there will be casino style games during set times. Ticket price will include chips i.e. £10.00 = £200.00 plus a drink and food. Venue hire / Croupier / DJ to be covered by ticket sales. Any profits will be on the bar /raffle. Suggested dates were the end of July (before school closes) LW/TB to look further into costs – perhaps get some outside help for the organisation. This event was agreed in principle.

High School Musical – Agreed to provide refreshments on the night – also asked following the meeting to collect the tickets. Agreed to purchase popcorn / bags / cartons / bottles of drinks ice creams. So far we have TB – all nights AH all nights (?) HMc Wed, VB Thurs, LW and husband Friday.

- Treasurers Report: Current balance of £5926.12 (this includes the £2000.00 for the enhancement of sports facilities). £50.00 made from the raffle at the Awards Evening. As agreed we donated £100.00 to mini dig and £200.00 for stage repairs. Also paid by direct debit this years insurance and membership of the PTA organisation £96.00. Requests for funding are expected from craft club for materials. Still awaiting the completion of the match funding from Boots for the fashion show.
- Requests for Funding: £438.00 for a Phonics tutoring kit and £11.99 Magnetic Rainbow Arc – **Agreed.**
- Teachers 2 Parents – contribution to an annual cost of £848.00 easier way for school to contact parents in an emergency - £749 unlimited text messages and £99 for unlimited

emails . **Not agreed. To revisit once trial period is over. However as we already have systems in place is this necessary?**

- French Text Books: £380.00 for a class set of Studio 1 Text books **Agreed**
- Craft Club - £100.00 for the purchase of craft equipment – **Not Agreed – Would like to further info to revisit next meeting.**
- Dictionary and Thesaurus 75 copies at £419.25 requesting £200.00 contribution from Friends a one off request. **Agreed.**

- 100 Club Draw:

Month	<u>1st £25.00</u>	<u>2nd £20.00</u>	<u>3rd £15.00</u>
Nov	24	87	49 (not paid redrawn)96
Dec	84 Not paid redraw 98	22 P Campbell	49 Redraw
Jan	97	53	10

- AH will sign the cheques
- Date & Time of Next Meeting: Monday 8th February 2015 6.00pm School Library.

Meeting closed 7.45pm