

PTA MINUTES

Meeting Title: Meadowburn Primary School PTA Meeting

Venue: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Date: 16th March 2022

ime: 6.30pm – 7.55pm

Attendees- Mrs Doherty, Joanna Robertson, Gayle Don, Fiona Walker, Lianne Devine, Grace Mair, Kelly MacDonald, Sarah McLellan, Mags Sproat

Apologies- Fiona Munro

AGENDA	DISCUSSIONS AND AGREEMENTS	ACTIONS
1. Minutes	Previous minutes circulated via e-mail and accepted as an accurate record.	Mrs Doherty to upload to school website.
2. Vacancies	The position of vice chair is still vacant.	
3. Financial	Balance of account £8162.59 with swimming lessons at a cost of £1444 still to be paid.	Fiona Walker advised that Paul Whittet is happy to do the year end accounts for no charge.
4. PTA Facebook Profile	Possibility of creating a PTA Facebook Page & Profile for posting information online.	Joanna Robertson : continue to use personal profiles meantime and this will be investigated further.

5. Update re Lets	<p>Gayle Don advised no update from EDC on school lets.</p> <p>Mrs Doherty stated that from Miss Campbell there are no indoor lets permitted within the school however, an outdoor even is a possibility. e.g. Summer Fayre</p>	<p>Previous Summer Fayres have cost PTA £2500 to set up and organise, from Mrs Doherty, it should be fine to go ahead but depending on circumstances at the time of the event numbers may require to be limited.</p>
6. Spending Priorities	<p>Whiteboards From Lianne Devine – playground discussions have shown that in general parents are not supportive of a Go Fund Me type page. In general, they seem to be unaware of what the PTA actually do fund, this has been an ongoing problem. Parents had suggested that necessities for school are an issue for the council budget. Mrs Doherty discussed that priority for school budget spend would be things already identified on improvement plan such as nurture and reading schools.</p> <p>P7 Leavers There are 62 primary 7 pupils. The PTA have 75 ties in stock for Bishopbriggs Academy, 1 is required for St Ninian's and 2 for Douglas Academy. PTA usually fund the P7 Leavers Books, Pizza & Leaving Party and also buses to Ardmay. Funds this year are restricted and it is a case of prioritising what we can pay for and also ensuring the money is spread across the entire school.</p> <p>P1 Welcome Pack There is a stock of approx. 50 blue jute bags bearing the</p>	<p>PTA to revisit fundraising for whiteboards when we are able to hold events which raise a large amount of money.</p> <p>It is appreciated that in the current financial climate it is difficult to ask for large sums of money on top of regular smaller donation days.</p> <p>Agreed to set aside £1000 for P7s which, if possible, can be topped up from small fundraising events. From this the PTA will fund the Leaver's Books and hold a Leaver's Party. Kelly MacDonald to ascertain cost of books. Mrs Doherty to come back to PTA with date of Leaver's Party. Fiona Walker, Lianne Devine & Fiona Munro are happy to form a working party to organise this. Fiona Walker to purchase additional ties required. If there are any remaining funds, they will go towards the cost of the buses to Auchengillan.</p> <p>Mrs Doherty will organise Ziggy Road Safety Books and pass them on to PTA for inclusion in the bag.</p>

<p>Meadowburn badge in the PTA cupboard. These will be used along with other items in the cupboard as a gift to the incoming P1s, it will also include the Ziggy Road Safety Book and possibly a book purchased by the PTA. There are 43 Mainstream and 13 Gaelic P1s at the moment. This number will increase slightly with deferrals and placing requests.</p> <p>P1 – 6 Buses Mrs Doherty advised that the cost of a 75-seater bus is £420 and that this would transport 2 classes of pupils. 5 buses will be required in total costing £2100</p> <p>Sports Equipment Usual PTA provision of £200 towards sports equipment for the school.</p> <p>Class Topics PTA usually donate £50 per class which goes towards the purchase of materials to compliment the class topic. The work is seen at the annual open night held by the school.</p> <p>Swimming This year, due to missed lessons the PTA funded swimming for P6 & 7, the intention being to fund P5 & 6 next year which would mean that all pupils had received their lessons. Mrs Doherty advised that the uptake from the current P7 had been much less than expected and for various reasons. The P6 lessons are due to take place in May and she suspects they may be the same. Unfortunately, we can't swap the lessons in May and have the P5 attend instead due to class configurations.</p> <p>PTA Fun Day / Summer Fayre As previously noted in the minutes the Summer Fayre costs the PTA £2500 in advance payments to hire the attractions which is simply not available this year. We also have to take into consideration the chance that numbers may require to be restricted which would limit fundraising. There had been a lot of discussion around the idea of holding a whole school fun day. Lianne Devine, Fiona Walker & Fiona Munro have investigated costs and viability of holding such an event.</p>	<p>Lianne Devine will approach Laura Tobin, Usborne Rep, to cost books for PTA to purchase. As there is not a sufficient amount of jute bags for all new starts the school or Com na Parent will supply a gift for the new P1s in the Gaelic Unit.</p> <p>PTA have agreed to fund as much towards P1 – 6 buses for their summer trips as their funds allow. This should be clearer at the next meeting.</p> <p>Mrs Craig has been absent from school long term and as such there has been no request for anything. Due to the lack of available funds this year this provision will not take place in 2022.</p> <p>Mrs Doherty advised that there will be no open night this year and that coupled with the fact that funds are so restricted led to the decision not to make this donation in 2022.</p> <p>One to note for future reference.</p> <p>PTA have decided that it would be more beneficial to use the funds as a contribution towards the P1-6 buses.</p>
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7. Forthcoming Events	<p>Easter Craft Easter Craft competition to be held in school on Thursday 31/03/2022. Kids have to bring in a small box to decorate from home or, if that is unavailable, it can be done on card instead. Craft materials to decorate their items are supplied by the PTA. Entry fee for pupils £2.</p> <p>Dress Down Day 29/04/2022</p> <p>Break the Rules Day 26/05/2022</p>	<p>Joanna Robertson has ordered materials and has split into bags for each class at a cost of £175.</p> <p>Lianne Devine has prepared prize boxes for winners at a cost of £50</p>

8. AOB	Nothing raised	
9. Next Meeting	Wednesday 20th April 2022 @1830hrs	Microsoft teams