



## MAWNAN C OF E VA SCHOOL

### PTA

Thursday 15th January 2015 at 6.30 p.m.

**Present: Staff:**

**Parents:** Libby Reed, Chairperson, Jo Burton, Secretary, Andrea Oakes, Anna Druce, Helen Bate and Mike Fosker

**Apologies:** Randall Brook, Louise Wylie, Verity Howard, Adam Keogh, Hattie Walker, Laura White, Jude Lewin and Peter Sadler

**Minutes:** Jo Burton Secretary

**Welcome:** Libby Reed welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

**Minutes of the last Meeting:** Discussed and everyone agreed that these were an accurate recording of the meeting.

**Matters Arising:** The Panto Gala Night

#### **Feedback from Libby regarding current PTA bank balance**

Libby informed the committee that the PTA had £2799 funds after paying towards the school's swimming costs for this year. The PTA funds will reduce to £2299 once £500 of the loan from the school is paid. The PTA expect funds to increase by a predicted £640 from the proceeds secured for the PTA from the Panto Gala night. The committee discussed whether it would be a good idea to pay the whole of the £1000 borrowed from the school as funds enable this and allow the committee to establish a base to start from and concentrate on raising more funds.

#### **Swimming**

Anna brought up the possibility of researching the possibility of securing a swimming venue nearer to the school rather than the children having to travel

all the way to Helston for their weekly swimming sessions. The committee discussed this and Andrea agreed to look into possible venues.

### **Gala Night**

Anna informed the committee that although the Panto had initially agreed on splitting the proceeds of this 50:50 with the PTA it had been brought to their attention that the Mawnan Christmas Lights needed a bit of a financial boost and so they would be taking proceeds from the raffle and sales from front of house ;door ticket sales, programmes etc.

The panto group have asked members from the committee to staff the event on Wednesday 4th Feb, particularly front of house, setting up and clearing up.

The committee discussed themes for the decor of the evening and decided on red tea lights, a red rose in a vase and red napkins. Libby offered to source and purchase these for the event.

The committee discussed who would be available to help in the night and those members agreed and noted whether they would be able to help set up or man the event on the night.

The committee agreed to also put nibbles on the table for people to help themselves to.

### **Future Fundraising/PTA events**

The committee agreed that it was necessary to start thinking about other things for the school that the committee could work hard on raising money for, for the future.

Andrea informed the committee that it would be a good idea to do something for the children and a possibility could be to invite Circus Beserkus in to teach the children circus skills and as a way of raising money tickets could be sold to parents who would be invited back in the evening to watch a performance put together by the children under the direction of Circus Beserkus.

The committee discussed re-applying for the lottery grant and apply for more play equipment for the older children which could be placed alongside the boat.

Anna brought to the committee an idea about putting aside a contingency fund to replace the new boat in ten years when it would most probably need replacing so that the PTA would never be in the position again of having to go without a boat for 3 years due to a lack of funds. It was agreed that the PTA would need to put aside £3000 every year to pay for swimming (£1000) and save £2000 each year to raise the £20,000 needed to replace the boat in ten years.

Helen reminded the committee that it would be a nice idea to put up a plaque for Hartley in respect of his kind bequeath towards the boat appeal.

Anna reminded the committee that the Raze the Roof event was nearing and to push for ticket sales for the event on 24th March.

### **AOB**

Helen suggested to the committee the possibility of making a CD of all the hymns the children sing in assembly and sell them at Christmas time. Tim Pointon has offered to burn them on behalf of the committee. Anna suggested asking Penryn, performance centre if the school could go to their site and record the singing. Anna agreed to ask Adrian (a contact at Penryn) if this would be possible.

Tea towels - the committee discussed looking into producing a school tea towel. Jo agreed to look into possible companies.

The committee discussed doing a themed night and having a curry night again at the Cornish Maid in June.

The committee decided that the next time there is a cake sale it is done by year group rather than class group as there were too many cakes left over last time.

The committee decided on a bluebell walk in May; either 8th or 15th dependent on tide times and weather permitting.

The committee looked at future events including the cycle run towards the end of July and a possible Barbeque and decided that ideas were needed for an event in March as this was a particularly quiet month in the PTA calendar.

**Date of next meeting:**

**The meeting closed at 7.30 pm.**

**Signed..... Date.....**