

SOCA Minutes of meeting and AGM – Thursday 27th April 2023 – 6pm

Attendees: Joss, Richard, Debs, Janet

Apologies: Hazel, Gary, Lynne, Paul, Mandi

Treasurers report: **Richard** is still trying to set up new account with Virgin - he will keep trying and if unable to do so we will need to register him as treasurer with existing HSBC account. Balance £3105 - still owed to Suzanne Kirkby approx. £40 for previous items she paid for – Suzanne to ask Jayne to refund her. Also approx. £400 to £500 for outdoor equipment from previous grant - to be paid out shortly as **Joss** to order it.

AGM: Joss provided following update for last year:

*We have struggled to get a lot of new parents involved (it has been advertised a few times on the school e- bulletin). We have a new treasurer, Richard, and did have a new Chair but she had to step down at Christmas. I have taken on role of temporary chair whilst we recruit some new members.

*Suzanne and Jayne – both here since start of SOCA have now stepped down.

*We decided to cut out the things that were very time consuming and taking a lot of organising such as coffee mornings, weather lottery and Christmas luncheon and moving forward will just concentrate on supporting school events and organising events for school pupils, e.g. disco.

*Moving forward we will continue to push easyfundraising and the Summer/Christmas PTA raffle.

* Main push will be to get new parents involved and support school in buying items required with the limited funds we have in our account.

* Joss – re-elected as temporary chair and Richard re-elected as treasurer.

FUTURE EVENTS:

- We had previously discussed trying to arrange a disco for the year 7's. This will be delayed until October (Halloween disco) as I have spoken to several staff in school and we would not have been able to use the theatre as it is needed for exams/production and also it was felt that it would be unfair to ask staff to give up their time over this summer term (other various evening events already planned).

- A chess tournament will be arranged with Miss Bayliss and SOCA to provide pizzas - date to be set - **Joss** to speak to Miss Bayliss.

- Awards evening at Pudsey Parish church – Thursday 22nd June - SOCA to provide refreshments and raffle.

- New year 7 starters evening – in school Monday 26th June – SOCA to provide refreshments.

- Wed 12th to Friday 14th July – school production – SOCA to provide Bar, refreshments and raffle – Joss to apply for bar Licence.
- PTA summer raffle via parentkind – Joss will register us for this and to promote with staff and students.

Requests for funding:

- LSU have requested £100 for fidgets and games – voted and agreed.
- Maths department have asked for £300 for some scientific calculators to be kept in classes for use by pupils who do not have their own – voted and agreed.
- Joss will arrange for both of the above to be purchased.

AOB – None but Joss to meet with Paul to get our SOCA page updated on the school website as some of it is out of date.

Next meeting set for Thursday 15th June at 6pm