



Minutes from RSPA meeting on 15th January 2013

Meeting called to order by Mel Horton

Present

Frances Greaney, Mel, Maggie, Niamh, Marion, Meenu, Mr. Robson, Hugh Mahony, Amnah and Jason

Apologies

Anita

ITEMS DISCUSSED

1. Barn Dance vs Quiz Night

- We debated with regards the idea of replacing the Barn Dance this year with the much enjoyed Quiz Night which was not held at the last academic year. Quiz Night proposed.
- Topics discussed included cost vs profit, involvement of the boys vs parents
- Costs of tickets finalised. To be held at the refectory. To sell snacks and drinks
- Mel and Maggie offered to help put the Quiz together.

2. Ideas towards a summer fund raising

- BBQ
- Summer Ball
- Battle of the Bands
- Race night

Ideas put forward after parents shared experiences from other school fund raisers attended.
Suggested timing it around Induction Day



3. Reading Project

- Mr Gary Sheffield and Simon Armitage put forward to be the possible patron of the Reading Project.
- Mr. Robson discussed getting the librarians and pupil librarians involved.
- Publicity and putting up of posters discussed.
- The variety of books and relevance to curriculum discussed.
- Ideas of having several ways to encourage family based reading included Mums and Sons, Dads and Lads etc
- Mr Robson had a great amount of ideas and ways of going ahead with the Reading Project including publicising what the Staff were reading, Reading Champions and the continuation of the X-treme Reading project.
- Niamh agreed to be the Parent point of contact.
- Meenu, Paula, Michelle and Niamh to start the working group to work alongside Mr Robsons team on the project. They agreed to trial the Mums and Sons project
- Ways of obtaining books discussed including parent donations
- Considering getting Yr 13 boys to donate a signed book to the school

4. Garden Project

- Maggie gave update on the Garden Project
- Final date for gardening help is 10:30 on 27th January 2013. All help appreciated.

5. AOB

- Jason handed cheque from RSPA over to Mr. Robson for the Reading Project
- Cheryl who helped kick start the Giving Machine on the RSPA website requested a mention to promote the GIVING MACHINE on the school Newsletter
- Next RSPA meeting: tentatively 7th March, 7.30pm LRC

Meeting closed by Mel Horton at 9.00pm

Minutes created by Amnah Noori