

Minutes from RSPA Annual General meeting held on 19 September 2013
Meeting called to order by Mel Horton

Present

Anita Stone, Frances Greaney, Jason Humm, Meenu Paliwal, Mel Horton, Miriam Graham, Niahm Sherwood, Richard Briggs, Marjorie Briggs, Adrian Drew, Ameet Phadnis, Ben Graham, Caramel Smith, Michelle Hill

Apologies

ITEMS DISCUSSED

1. International evening wash up – Mel Horton

- It was a successful first time event and everyone had a great time.
- We sold 100 tickets and £384 profit has been collected.
- Discussion on looking at a better ticketing system and promotion of the event for the next time around.
- Richard Briggs suggested on using Paypal system and Frances will be looking at this system.
- A big thank you to Anne Hardwick for organising the event.

2. Wine and Welcome planning

- 28th September 2013 at the Big School at 7.30pm
- Carmel Smith, Michelle, Amnah and Lena volunteered to help at the event.

3. The Giving Machine – fundraising push

- There are about 54 parents signed up with The Giving Machine but only 8 of them are actively using the system.
- Discussion on how to promote and persuade parents to use The Giving Machine for the school benefits.
- Suggestion on printing a business card version with The Giving Machine logo on the card and giving them to all parents. The idea is for parents to keep it at home where they can see it regularly and will be reminded about using The Giving Machine system when they do their purchases.

4. 2013/2014 Project Update – School Playground facilities

- The cost of levelling and resurfacing the tarmac area near physics is prohibitive – up to £80k and therefore beyond current means.
- The project will therefore focus on providing outside equipment that can be used at break times. Discussion on placing a Table Tennis table and a Chess play area with outdoor chess tables.

5. AGM Preparation

- The AGM meeting will take place on Thursday 3rd October 2013 at 7.30 pm at the Learning Resource Centre.
- All honorary officers and executives committee members have to step down and seek to be re-elected to the committee.



- In addition to the honorary officers and executive members positions, we are also seeking for a Giving Machine promoter, 2 social event coordinators and a careers convention representative.
- There are some members already mentioned about stepping down.
- All parents are encouraged to attend the meeting.

6. AOB

- Discussion on whether the school should revert to a plain grey suit for Years 7-11 rather than the newer crested version which is currently worn in Years 7-9, and moving through the school year by year.
- Some mixed feedback was gathered at the meeting.
- Mr Robson would like to canvass parents' opinion on this matter.
- Miriam suggested having Friends of Music to perform at the end of term summer concert.

Next Meeting

- RSPA AGM Thursday 3rd October 2013 7.30 to 9pm.
- Venue to be advised in Agenda

Meeting closed by Mel Horton at 9.05pm
Minutes created by Anita Stone