



AGS FRIENDS - MINUTES

Wednesday 13 November 2024, 6:00pm in the Sports Hall

In Attendance

R.Thorpe, Y.Bruton, H.Silcox, G.Farrington, J.Parry, K Ellicott, K O'Donnell

Apologies

C.Vanstone, W.Stephens, C.Nelson, R.Turner, S.Mack, S.Kandola

1. Welcome and Introductions

No declarations of interest made.

2. Minutes and Actions

Actions outstanding - Committee to J Slater about including the PTA in next year's leavers celebration.

VB to publish rules on Whatsapp group for new members.

SLT to discuss if departments get a percentage of any profits made when PTA provides refreshments.

GF to look at online raffle payments.

GF to invoice Designer Travel.

3. Lottery

First draw done.

1st prize - No 125, £80

2nd prize - No 75, £40

3rd prize, No 11, £40

4th prize, No 50, £32

There is a very minimal risk that the prize winners might not pay for December but it was agreed this was minimal. Next draw is January, to promote this during the next few events taking place.

4. Background fundraising

VB updated all on the fundraising taking place in the background. Push Easy Fundraising with staff. VB informed everyone that we are now signed up with Benevity and about match funding.

VB thanked C Nelson for her sponsorship of the Bingo night.

Action - VB to record a short 'how to' video on Easy Fundraising.

5. Raffle

It was agreed that a decision would be made on Friday 22 November what prizes to use for the in room raffle during the Bingo night.

A 'star prize' is needed for the Christmas raffle.

It was discussed that students and parents would be asked to donate raffle prizes for the Christmas raffle. Possibly each year group brings in a certain item. It was agreed that some themed hampers would be made from the donations. KE suggested that one hamper is donated to a charity the school already works with to build relationships (as per our Constitution). Dates for the ticket sales and draw to be worked out. VB has asked R Turner to help coordinate the raffle.

6. Bingo Night 22/11

37 tickets sold, 64 to be sold. Notice to parents to be sent via groupcall asap. Dabbers now received, sell for £1. Final virtual meeting to take place Weds 20 Nov, 7pm. To decide games once we have prizes. Tesco delivery is 14 Nov and sponsored cups delivery 20 Nov. A powerpoint will be displayed during the night with sponsorship details and any other company information for those who have donated prizes.

Actions - VB to draft message for groupcall

KE to ask Farmfoods/Iceland for prizes for Bingo

Risk assessment to be updated.

VB to ask S Mack for a game for the table as a break the ice at Bingo night.

HS to sort out the microphone for the evening.

7. Forward Planning

To decide on refreshments for the Christmas concert. A suggestion of hot chocolate and a Christmas themed cake was made. RT informed everyone that mince pies have not been popular in the past.

Year 11 parents evening is 4pm-7pm and it was agreed that two people were needed and a one hour was fair.

AGM - to celebrate our achievements so far. RT will buy a birthday cake. JP will be resigning.

School play - 27-29 Jan. PTA to provide refreshments, including a bar.

PTA would like to host a film night in February. Will need to consider after school clubs and publish the date asap. Pupils to do a poll of which film to watch.

Action - committee to investigate film night further.

8. Any other business

VB to run a Christmas Wreath making fundraiser and will decide the date.

Date of next meeting 21 January for the AGM.