



Friends Ysgol Meifod

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Date	26/04/2023
Time	7.30pm
Location	Teams – remote: https://teams.live.com/meet/9475836004504
Attendee's	Chair – Mrs B Edwards (BE) Secretary – Mrs J Bullen (JB) <i>Mrs E Halliday (EH), Mrs T Roberts (TR), Mrs K Rushworth (KR), Ms F Rose (FR), Mrs S Deal (SD), Mrs E Richards (ER), Mr A Jones (MRJ)</i>

Agenda

1. Apologies

Chair

BE welcomes everyone, confirmed apologies from Treasurer – Mrs C Pritchard (CP) & Mrs B Jenkins. Confirms this meeting was due 25th April 7pm – teams/face to face. At parent request this has been moved to accommodate the re-scheduled school parents' evenings (Tuesday 25th & Thursday 26th).

2. Previous meeting minute approval & actions

Chair

BE screen shared last meeting minutes and asked for approval – Proposer EJ Seconded KR

BE confirmed last meeting actions:

- TR outside shelter class 1 – TR organised 2 quotes at £1250 and £2217 cost – TR confirms may have 1 further to come. Less than quote Mr Jones (£7k steel frame). Proposal from MRJ to book contractor with lower quote for a date later in the year (when we will have the funds). Agreed by all but on the provision that we may not have the funds. We will know by end June (fundraising activities see below).
- CP to ask about hall hire for coronation disco – BE confirmed Friday 5th May – Booked at normal hire cost £35, poster produced, and website has been updated by MRJ 25/04. BE confirmed the plan is for any of the friends to attend further village community meetings (Monday 1st May) and possibly raise the discussion around a potential discount. KR states we do have other options such as Kings Head and Cobra if they don't agree.
- JB to produce an Easyfundraising step by step guide and FYM email address – JB sent to MRJ for the website and also parent chat. 2 new sign ups and JB confirmed we get £5 donation if new sign/follow link.
- EH/TR skills list/audit -has a few names and has started to collate – review at next meeting possible May to tie in with the proposed activity/maintenance day (see below).
- TR/EH Cake sales – aim is for once a month – 28th April is the first- Booked 28/04 and advertised on parent group and website – reminder sent on parent chat and MRJ will add to website again (Thank you to TR, EH, Natasha & Hayley for making cakes)



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3. Correspondence

Secretary

BE confirms none. MRJ has been asked to send photos of the play area for the risk assessment and inspections (due summer) but won't be completed before 26/05.

4. Financial update

Secretary (in treasurer absence)

Playground -2 things awaiting: signage and Powys County Council sign off. JB spoke about ROSPA - £75 we can pay privately in lieu of delay by PCC noted by MRJ above. All agreed. Proposer KR second FR.

JB sent nature grant link (28/03/23) to MRJ for schools to receive £500 of gardening/planting equipment. Application is school led – not yet done but MRJ to chase.

MRJ confirmed school has been approached by “Learning through landscapes” – offering support to develop grounds (advice and resource/teaching ideas) and will keep us posted on this.

FYM School “wish list” – last meeting we discussed what we would like to fund this year for school buses for a trip/panto for all children/outside area development/ yard painting/sports equipment.

MRJ confirmed the lean to/porch isn't a priority as we are approaching summer months. Priority for him would like to see some practical help to organise a maintenance day. Couple of areas needing immediate attention – filling in with soil for old pond, classroom painting and general outside garden areas. ER – good to involve the community – donations of wood/paint/advertise around the village. Parents made cakes/drinks. The Shed in Llynffyllin is an option for woodwork. **Pencil date Saturday June 10th**

BE – asks meeting attendees if they have any priority – none confirmed. MRJ to make a List of things want done for this maintenance day.

JB confirmed balance after playground is around £1750 which includes the fantastic fundraising efforts (see below) YTD.

MRJ confirmed they have joined NT as a school – parents only require paying for the bus (70 seater sourced which given a big cost reduction). This will enable visits to all NT properties free of charge.

5. Activity update

Chair

Easter raffle Hayley Evans organised £677- Fantastic thank you so much! / Sweet treats cake sale planned 28/04 (TR has bought Sidoli cakes for bake sale-look to do monthly if successful)/ Maet-loaf – school support limited but community attendance amazing – amount TBC.

Dates for the diary:

Coronation – 4th May school celebration (community invited – Community, WI, Forget me nots, Tiny Tots & Meifod pre school), 5th May Disco, Sunday 7th May Meifod village picnic. JB asked about if anyone could make a throne for the disco? CP has a red blanket available to use and JB cardboard. EH and SD agreed to arrange.

Dragon Bin – clear out clothes/community support – EH to do a poster and advertise across community pages to encourage use.



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JB – overview of Easy fundraiser – are you registered? See link/website on how to do. BE confirmed really easy. JB confirmed money from this should be deposited by month end – TBC at next meeting.

Next meeting agenda:

Family day – Sunday 25th June – Enterprise/choir/school support 100 tickets

Sports afternoon Tuesday 25th June (Weather dependent)* raffle/refreshments/uniform stall/enterprise

Meifod village show Saturday 22nd July

6. AOB & next meeting date

Chair

ER – raised charity status and where we are. JB confirmed nothing has been done on this due playground focus. Discussed charity roles & functions and requirement of trustees which are legally binding roles subject to the HMRC Charity commission, requirements of independent audits and publication of annual reports and data. FR to look into and provide high level summary at next meeting. JB confirmed this would be a positive step if we got the support for the trustee roles and commitment, plus businesses are more likely to donate due to taxation perks.

No other items – meeting closed 20.48pm

Next meeting - Monday 22nd May 7.30pm

Actions:

MRJ to make a list of things want done & 10 June

MRJ – chase the application of the local nature grant for £500 funding

JB – ROSPA

JB risk assessment Disco

EH poster for the dragon bin

KR Corgi name

FR – charity status

EH & SD – Throne for Friday 5th May.