

Minutes of 427th Committee Meeting

25th June 2019

Library, WCHS

Present: Jo Pomeroy, Colin Jenkins, Laetitia Dumbura, Nadia Ahmed, Aneela Ahmed, Varsha Joshi, Cheryl Osborne Gibbon Vishi Srishianthaneswan Naureen Barlas,

Apologies for absence: Shaun Dawson, Farina Sharif, Marion Allen, Soniyah Khan, Mohbub Uddin, Khaled Abdel Aziz, Sima Khiroya, Tania Mohammed, Shilpi Jain, Manisha Nichols, Shafaq Zulfiqar, Ishi Bansal, Erica Fung

Head teacher report (JP)

- Have been busy with leadership team appointments, equalities projects, training of leadership team and pastoral team.
- Year 5 open evening went very well. Large turnout the girls are great ambassadors for the school.
- Awarded e-safety. Good achievement for the school. These award also good way to audit what we are doing. There was contribution from parents and PFA were of great value in providing ready access to parents.
- Taken Year 11 prom in house, more elegant/ glamorous event. New venue (Gilwell park)
- Drinks/food/disco/photo booth...90 girls and 19 boys.
- Centenary coming lots of planning
- Nice bit of term, exams behind us.
- Into trips and competitions for various years. Rochester trip,
- We got 2nd prize in international stem video competition
- Activists in year 8 petitioning for period poverty. Had Ian Duncan smith in. Those girls taken part in competition apps for girls (called Overreacting) got rising stars prize for the app.
- Student in yr. 11 awarded the 'Arkwright' scholarship. Results in many opportunities.
- Couple of girls on to Cambridge summer course in history.

Chairs report: (AA)

- Ice lolly sales going really well, thanks given to Varsha.
- Year 5 evening went very well, lots of parents helping out.
- Yesterday's movie night; 14 girls attended. £100 profit at movie night. Discusses different options to movie night at the end of term such as playing board games.
- Raised £12300 at the end of the year
- Boots sales doing well.
- Action point to find out dates for forthcoming Boots Sales

Forthcoming Events:

- Summer showcase 2nd July 5-7pm
- Food tech teacher will not be available so PFA will need to help
- Varsha has agreed to do the Mocktails, can contact technician Andrea
- Noreen will take a lead on the cakes and can help out on the day.
- Noreen said 8 cakes enough.
- There would be some girls helping.
- Tea and coffee from the hatch.
- Jo said we find all of the ingredients and there is a suggested donation and it is usually to Haven House. Alternatively, could charge 50p for the drinks. This year it will be PFA event with funds raised going to PFA. Charge for items.
- Cakes to be left in the food room and leave to the attention of Andrea the food tech. Andrea cannot carry any heavy items due to her back pain.

Action point: Noreen to send an email to Andrea the Food tech.

- 4th July Year 7 event 6-8pm
- Summer Production 10-12th July 7pm- until late requires cold drinks, biscuits, tea etc.
- Busking events Varsha doing
- From next term: refreshments at Parents evening require a minimum of 2 helpers
- Dates required for discoes and sleepovers. Better to do at the beginning of term in regard to sleep over.
- Consider cancelling last Move night of the year and replace with possibly a games night.
- Consider distributing a calendar of the events.
- Ideas for centenary: international food event, afternoon tea. Nadia mentions staff & parents vs students in a sports event; football/egg and spoon race, rugby
- Discussed sporting event in the school day in year 7 that could go into the evening which parents, staff and other students could then join in. Could incorporate sports, music involving the music department playing music from every decade, dance/Zumba, have barbeque
- Action point: To speak to PE department and music department regarding their input for the Centenary.
- Consider a ticketed event for the Centenary.
- ACTION: Plan the event

Treasurer's report

- Some money has come in from Jubilee fund since last PFA meeting. Profit as of end of May just over £11,00 compared to 2018 just £700 difference so doing well.
- Year 5 fundraising money has not come in.

Centenary Preparation Update

- Expecting many Old girls and likely to attend event for them on Sunday.
- Whole school photograph
- Banner commissioned, former teachers are working with a group of girls
- Girls do not know this, but a group of girls are designing a digital game
- Putting up another Honours board up in the corridor 100 head girls of the school.
- Professional film maker was assigned to make a film for event at Redbridge. Some members of the staff got year 9 student strained as interviews and interviewed various old girls and professional film maker will make a short film.

- Jo discussed the Sculptor. 1919 figures is holding a hat to distinguish that time. The 2 girls are sitting on each other.
- Silver badges are thinking about doing a time capsule for 50 years
- Electronic copies available of 'Visions of Girlhood'
- There is also a specific logo for the centenary.
- Action: idea to have badges made for all the girls with the centenary logo

Ideas for next student council: questionnaire done by the girls regarding items they were prepared to pay for. Items: Wristband £2-3. Coffee Mug for £5, Beanie, reusable Water Bottles, Keyring, Purse/Money Pouch, Polo Shirt.

The most popular items being Keyring, reusable water bottle and reusable coffee mug ACTION: PFA to take this forward and have it available for the next term

Any Other Business

Varsha discussed spare set of keys – Sima & Sheila have a set of keys. There should be more but don't know who has them. There is always one set of keys to the PFA box in the office and one set of PFA cupboard keys in the PFA box.

There are more sets but not sure where they are. Need to check with John and Pravin.

Action: Key Audit – anyone with keys to inform Farina

- Discussed Costco membership Varsha and Shaun have cards
- Nadia mentions Ilford County PFA Considering a joint sporting event and joint Variety event
- Card reader needed for 4th July, Laetitia having some problems ordering from website.

Date of next meeting: TBA (End Sept/early October - invite to new parents)

Thank you Aneela for chairing and minutes