



BAPP AGM Meeting Minutes

Thursday 27th September 2018 6.30pm Aspire Library

Apologies:

Sara Beck, Sharon Knox, Tracey Irwin, Tracey Elliot, Helen Speedy-Jones, Louise Round, Sarah Nicholls, Matt Cardew, Mimi McAuley.

Present:

Karen Jones, Mary-Anne Redstone, Maz Burrell, Gill Woodward, Karen Clee, Lara Potter, Sally Piper, Mick Cammack, Noel McPherson, Debbie Day, Debbie Moore, Samantha Sibley, Sarah Renton, Liz Duffield.

Chairpersons Report (Mary-Anne Redstone):

On reflection over the past 12 months the Parent Partnership has been very active, supportive of school events and donated a fair amount of money to various departments. I want to thank everyone who has been part of the team whether it was to serve refreshments, contribute towards the Gift and Pamper Evening and attended meetings. I would particularly like to mention Sarah for being Vice Chair, Lara for her super secretarial duties and Sally for holding the role of treasurer and stock control person! You have all gone over and above and I am extremely grateful.

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We have predominantly raised money serving refreshments at various events throughout the year including the Parent Information Sharing Sessions, Parent Evenings, Athletics Competitions, Sports Day, Transition Evenings and the Christmas Gift and Pamper Evening.

We were able to fund the new Display Boards and made substantial donations to departments across the school.

Mimi McAuley has had a fantastic year with the Music Department Fundraising Team. They have worked really hard organising lots of events in and out of school and I would like to thank her and the team for their time and commitment.

With help from Des Young, we have gone plastic free when serving our refreshments. After generous donations of mugs from parents came in we were able to serve teas and coffees in proper mugs/cups. We will also refill if someone has their own flask ☐

The BAPP Facebook Page is a great way for parents to communicate about what's going on, asking advice, clarifying information, buying and selling uniform.

We have several parents on the parent partnership email distribution list, but it is my thought that all parents and carers are part of the partnership therefore our emails should go to everyone via the school office. It is useful for communication outside of school when organising events.

We are signed up to Easyfundraising, a scheme which donates money to school when you shop online through their site. It costs nothing to the shopper, just needs a couple of extra clicks to activate the donation. This would be worth promoting every term to remind parents it's in place and every little helps!

Sally is happy to keep her role as treasurer but Sarah, Lara and myself are stepping down at this meeting and do not wish to stand again. We will fully support the new Chairperson and committee moving forward into the new academic year.

Treasurer's Report (Sally Piper):

Sally Piper circulated the Income and Expenditure accounts for the period 01/01/2017-31/12/2017 which are attached. She discussed details of the accounts and how the BAPP utilized the money raised for the benefit of the school for example, via Department 'Wish Lists'.

Music Fundraising Report (Mimi McAuley):

Summer of busking

Lara Potter organised a series of busking sessions outside the Countryside Centre in Braunton. These were supported by the Braunton Buskers and well attended by students from years 7-10 who enjoyed the opportunity to perform in front of a different audience. The summer busking sessions culminated in a busking session at The Thatch in Croyde organised by Rachel Collins. Here students (and some ex-students) entertained holiday makers and locals alike who were amazed by the talent on show.

Altogether these sessions raised £372 and following the success, the Academy buskers have been invited by Jennie Tomlinson from Red Shoes Music to perform at SQ on the 23rd October over half term. Noel McPherson is supporting Lara to organise this. Jennie has also donated a range of world percussion instruments and some stage lighting to the Academy.

Just before the holiday and then again during the summer holidays, local surf shop The Board Barn held two music and art nights. The band Idol Giants from year 7&8 played at one of these events and the owners of the shop donated £200 to the music department.

Election of Officers:

Position:

Chair: Marion Burrell – Nominated by Liz Duffield, Seconded by Mary-Anne Redstone

Vice Chair: Vacant: No-one currently taking on the position

Secretary: Vacant: No-one currently taking on the position

Treasurer: Sally Piper – Nominated by Maz Burrell, Seconded by Mary-Anne Redstone

The BAPP will need to hold an EGM (Extraordinary General Meeting) if anyone wants to come forward to fill the vacant positions. More support would be very much welcome to enable the group to continue to support the school and its ongoing needs.

Upcoming Dates to Support:

7th November: Year 11 Parents' Evening: Volunteers needed to help provide refreshments for parents/students attending.

Indoor Car Boot Sale: Idea proposed community-wide opportunity to sell pre-Xmas clear out items in hall. Sally Piper to check available dates during the next half term. For further discussion - more details to follow.

Pop-Up Kitchen: Idea proposed for students to prepare and cook food to sell. Discussed various issues relating to this. For further discussion.

Quiz Nights: The School Council have previously suggested an inter-house quiz where parents could play for their child's house (Croyde, Puttsborough, Saunton, Woolacombe) to gain points. Noel McPherson has had a positive response from the Aggi pub about running two quizzes in the autumn and spring. For further discussion - more details to follow.

Surf Show/Exhibit: Community-wide opportunity proposed for the spring. Board/equipment shops, surf schools, & surf life-saving schools, SAS, Plastic Free ND and the Surf Museum to showcase their equipment, clothing and surfing-related activities available in the area. For further discussion – more details to follow.

Any Other Business:

World Book Day: The Student Council have suggested non-uniform days, for example this event on March 7th, where students and staff dress up as a character from a book. Watch this space!

Wish Lists: Departments to be asked to provide these again for the coming year – parents can then see specifically what each event is raising money for.

Calendar: Idea proposed for a calendar to be set up of regular events that work well throughout the year.

Date of Next Meeting:

Thursday 18th October 6.30pm: Aspire Library.

