

Minutes of the LPGS PTA Meeting 11 January 2016, 7.30pm in the School Hall

Present:

Anne Hudson (Head Teacher)	Lawrence Lusanie (Vice Chair)
Christine Stephen (Chair)	Lucy Gregory
Rebecca Day (Governor)	Leslie Ann Phillips
Sarah Burgess (Treasurer)	Inge Lake
Jennie Goodall (Business Manager)	Julie Sutton
Lynda Smithson (Secretary)	Sally Ann Shannon
Frances Sproule	Inku Patel
Kerrie McCoy	

The meeting was chaired by Christine Stephen

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1	Welcome and introductions Christine welcomed everyone to the meeting. Attendees briefly introduced themselves.	
2	Apologies James Fisher (Deputy Head), Alison Harrison, Teresa Tomeli, Karen Kvallman, Elizabeth Beroud	
3	Minutes of the last meeting/ matters arising These were approved	
4	Chair's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSA to PTA: Name has been changed from PSA to PTA as it was felt this is more recognizable to parents and staff as a Parent/ Teacher partnership • Constitution: this needs updating; This is already in hand and should be ready for next meeting • Stock: Stock in PTA cupboard has been checked; cupboard is now restocked; many thanks for Inku for this; more than £300 was raised last term at various events • PTA website: this has been updated • PTA email address: There is a new email address for the PTA (PTA@lpgs.bromley.sch.uk) The previous email address will eventually be deleted. • Facebook/ Twitter: The intention is to set up a PTA Facebook page and Twitter account • PTA logo: It was suggested that there be a student competition to design a new logo for the PTA with a reward for the winning design, possible Veevo points or a voucher (TopShop, New Look). It was suggested that then some sort of signage/ banner with the new logo could be purchased to identify PTA stalls/ attendance at events • 100 club: PTA will be launching a 100 Club (or could be 200Club) as soon as possible and school-wide from September 2016 • Matchgiving: Many thanks to Elizabeth Beroud for her help with this. A letter will be going to parents publicizing this and giving more details • Easy Fundraising: There is now a link to this and already £121 has been raised; the present 'cards' are from Christmas - Inge Lake explained that new 'cards' are available to download from the website; now is a good time to publicise this as families begin thinking about holidays • Newsletter: The PTA would like to produce a newsletter. This will be a good way to inform parents and teachers of upcoming events and also what the PTA funds will be spent on. It was hoped that this might encourage more support from parents at events. • Second hand uniform: • PTA ID badges: Lanyards are now available for PTA members to wear when helping at events • Christine thanked Clare Yonge and Sarah Burgess for showing her 	

	round the school and introducing her to staff	
5	Financial Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current account: £9700; Saving account: £222; There is still £389 to come for the fireworks; Balance is £12300 (credit) 	
6	School Wish List <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ICT: Anne Hudson reported that ICT is a focus for the school. The laptops used by pupils in school need upgrading Department bids: To date departments who have put on events, keep the funds raised for their own department. Eg: Music concerts, drama and sports events. It is difficult for some departments (eg: History, Geography) to find events which can bring in funds. There was discussion around the PTA running the events in order to 'pool' the monies raised. Anne Hudson suggested that then departments could put in bids for items they would like funding for and the PTA could then be involved in deciding which bids to support. 	
7	Future Fundraising ideas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sponsorship: The PTA discussed sponsorship of projects and the possibility of using Estate Agents boards to promote larger events as this can bring in funds fairly easily 'Legacy' ideas: 'Wall of plaques' and 'Path of names' were suggested Fashion show: It was suggested that this could be led by Y11/ 12/13. Fashion stalls which were at the LPBS Christmas Craft Fair could be approached; it could be presented as an event for both students and parents Own clothes days: There was discussion over whether there should be more or indeed less of these – there has been mixed feedback to school on this Student education: The Adult Education Centre at Widmore Road is due to close shortly; there are a number of adult tutors who could run courses. LPGS could be a possible venue on Saturday mornings; possible courses could be art, cookery, sewing, photography. It was felt that this was more appropriate for the school to pursue, rather than the PTA Pampering evening: possible dates suggested were the evening before an own clothes day or the Y13 prom Curry and comedy night Quiz night Rat Pack set Race night Car boot sale/ table top sale Golf Day Pantomime tickets Easter raffle Easter Fair Ice cream Friday: this may be difficult given the logistics of offering this to such a large number of students Refreshments: school events and sports tournaments; information on dates would be needed; It was suggested that teachers and departments should be informed that the PTA are able to run refreshment areas at all events 	<p>IL to make enquiries about comedy night</p> <p>CS to follow this up with JF</p>
8	Help needed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social media: FB and Twitter 100 club: For info: PTA UK is useful website that provides lots of ideas on fundraising and has lots of downloadable information Summer Fair: 25 June 	<p>IL volunteered to look at FB and Twitter</p> <p>L-AP and LG agreed to be subcommittee for Summer Fair</p>
9	Any Other Business <p>Second Hand School Uniform: storage has been found within the school for</p>	<p>CS and L-AP agreed to</p>

	donated, unwanted uniform; particular times of year are important such as after Y11 and the summer term of Y9. We now need to ask parents to donate uniform.	organize this
10	Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 23 February, 7.30pm in School Hall	

Signature

Date