

**Portchester School Association
Committee Meeting
Tuesday 16th June
7pm in the School Library**

Present:

Len Idle		Staff
Charlotte Gallagher	Chair	Parent
Alison Packer	Treasurer	Parent
Tracy Rathbone	Asst Treasurer	Parent
Debbie Newitt		Parent
Debbie Morrison		Parent
John Stone		Parent
Anita Collier		Parent
Dave Bennallack		Parent
Jon Packer		Student

Apologies

Chris Bradey, Kathleen Ridout, Christine Moyes, Valerie Mumford, Sam Turner, Jamie Bennallack,

Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 28th April were confirmed as a correct record.

Matters Arising

Len informed the group that a pigeon hole had been established for the PSA in the front office.

Charlotte read an email sent to Len from the BMX group, no formal report been given to the committee, but the email explained that safety equipment had been purchased and the group hopes to go to Winton on a visit.

Dave Bennallack questioned why Jamie only received a voucher for £15. It was explained to him that there had been communication between the Chair, Secretary and Asst Treasurer who felt that as it was spread across 3 boys

unlike last year when it was only one the amount needed adjusting. This had not involved Alison or Dave as it was felt to be inappropriate. All three boys received the same.

A current contact list for the PSA members has not yet been sent to Len. Alison will contact Julia and arrange for this information to be sent to Len Idle and Charlotte Gallagher.

Secretaries Report

The secretary was not present at the meeting.

Treasurers Report

A written report was distributed at the meeting, this gave of a breakdown of funds available and the income and expenditure of the last disco.

NCPTA

Before the last disco membership was purchased with the 'National Confederation of Parent Teacher Association' Committee members can access this on line at www.ncpta.org.uk and use our membership number - 33602 creating your own password.

Future Events

Disco Friday 10th July

Sam Turner was unable to attend tonights meeting, Len Idle said that it was all in hand and Alison is communicating with him by email. (forward Sam's Email to Charlotte) Jon Packer has offered his support to Sam. Jamie intends to be at the next disco too. Volunteers were asked to support the event.

Year 7 Welcome Evening

Charlotte said that she would co-ordinate this via email closer to the time. Tracy and Charlotte to look at last years display board at the disco.

Year 6 Open Evening

PSA to provide refreshments as previous years. To be finalised at the next meeting.

Other Events

Sportsman of the Year - 22nd September

Awards Evening - 17th November

Fundraising

Charlotte has been contacted by a Primary School selling quizzes, Charlotte said this was not suitable for a senior school.

Any Other Business

Len Idle reported that the boys are currently being consulted about redesigning the school's badge. Some boys have already submitted their ideas. This is an opportunity to update, go modern or stay traditional. The committee briefly discussed the topic. Len intends to invite parents for ideas.

Len reported that the school now has a very modern fitness suite which is sitting idle in the evenings. He explained that staff would be available to man it and that it could generate some revenue. The committee expressed an interest in supporting this and it will put on the Agenda for the next meeting.

Len also showed the committee on his lap top the live feed from the Chicken pen. The school purchased 10 eggs and they have all hatched successfully - 4 hens and 6 cocks. All birds will be re-homed after the project. Len expressed a desire to repeat this next year - cost £250 and asked the PSA to support this. This will be discussed in the Autumn Term - Agenda Item.

Dave Bennallack asked the committee to support 5 lads going to Borneo in Summer 2010. There were various suggestions but it was felt that to support just 5 was not a good distribution of funds. No decision was reached other than to say that some funding would be given. This will be addressed in the next school year.

Charlotte has been communicating with Keith Mitchell who is the Chair of Governors. He has invited someone from the committee to attend one of their meetings and would attend ours in return. He was not available tonight. If anyone would like to go it is a Thursday afternoon - see Charlotte.

Meeting Closed 8.25pm