

Portchester School Association

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 28th April 2009 at 7.00pm in the Library.

Attendees:

Len Idle		Staff
Charlotte Gallagher	Chair	Parent
Alison Packer	Treasurer	Parent
Tracy Rathbone	Asst Treasurer	Parent
Julia Winston	Secretary	Parent
David Bennallack		Parent
Christine Moyes		Parent
Debbie Newitt		Parent
Kathleen Ridout		Parent
Jon Packer		Student

Apologies: Chris Bradey, Debbie Morrisson, Val Mumford, Jamie Bennallack, John Stone. (JB did arrive)

Minutes of last meeting

Agreed and accepted as correct record of the meeting on 3rd March 2009.

Matter Arising

BMX group have not yet responded to request to feedback to the PSA. LI will e-mail and send out reply. Dave B brought in the Disco insurance. It was suggested by CG that it would be useful to have a pigeon hole for the PSA in school. LI will arrange.

Secretaries Report

There was no matters requiring attention

Financial Report

AP presented and distributed a written breakdown of figures. The 27th March disco was also cancelled due to an event at Avonbourne School. This was another blow for the disco team and will affect the profits for this year quite considerably. The Light Up's were sold at PGT and took about £20. They will be sold again at the next disco and should cover expenses. Thanks was expressed to AP. NCPTA membership was agreed and CG will go ahead. AP to write cheque later.

Past Events

PGT Mr Eden and Ms Hewitt were present to report back on another very successful event! All agreed that it went really well and this was due to the hard work of the staff and also to the close liaison between the organisers and members of the PSA. The profit of £800 approx will remain in the talent show fund. The school can go to Britain's Got Talent again next year and will have money left for food and prizes, etc. CG has kept a copy of the food list and we will need to remember more chips and fewer hot dogs next time! It is possible that there will be a battle of the bands type event planned for Christmas time. Watch this space! JE did the 'Splash Page' for PGT. This worked well for advertising and could/should be used in future. LI requested a PSA list to be sent to him ASAP so that he can keep in touch. JW will do this.

Future Events

Disco 15th May: The DJ will have a trainee there on this evening. AP has informed the DJ that there will be a new committee next year and they will decide whether to re-new the arrangement that is currently in place. Letters are going out (DS is on to this). AP says we have most things but need more squash and crisps. There was an enquiry about next year's team. Two lads currently shadow the present team and are keen to be involved (Sam and Richard). A folder is currently kept and this will help future teams. CM, AC, TR, KR, AP, JW, DB and CG will all help. Next disco is 10th July. Film night was considered for July, but with the exams and then the disco this may not be the best time. Perhaps Autumn/Winter would be better? RG was not present and so this matter was put on hold for now.

AOB

CG e-mailed Avonbourne PSA and attended their last meeting. She was given a friendly and welcoming reception and fed back on some of the issues that concerned both schools. Yellow buses were on the agenda. Apparently drivers are refusing to give change and there have been some late arrivals. There was also some concern about the discipline of the boys. LI will look in to these matters with CB and let us know the results. CG reported that they are also arranging a trip for years 7, 8 and 9 girls on their inset day. This was considered a "very brave thing to do."

We ran through the provisional dates for next year:

15th Sept PSA

16th Oct Disco

10th Nov AGM

11th Dec Disco

5th Jan PSA

5th Feb Disco

23rd Feb PSA

? March PSA event night (Quiz/Race Night/Film)

20th April PSA

30th April Talent Show

21st May Disco

10th June PSA

16th July Disco

DB reported back from Gov. RG is getting a calendar together for next year. All dates required as far as possible by July Gov. Meeting please. There are spaces for company and individual sponsorship. There was some interest from PSA members and this was noted. DB also proposed an idea for an 'Ice Breaker' disco for the up and coming pupils. This will be discussed further with the school.

All disco's should be publicised in advance perhaps on the previous poster/flyer/letter or by e-mail and on the website. This will help advanced planning. They will also be on the new calendar which will help too. After the success of the ice creams at PGT it was decided to serve ice creams at the summer disco this

year TR will get them. There was a question about fancy dress and it was decided that this should be optional.

Kathleen needs a new CRB as she moved during the process.

We discussed a financial reward for our very dedicated Disco team this year. AP will buy the vouchers £20 ea.

We were provided with a copy of the revised homework policy.

Meeting closed at 8.35.

**Next meeting: 16th June
at 7.00 pm.**