Minutes of Old Hutton PTA Meeting

Old Hutton C of E School, Wednesday 28th September 2016, at 3.20pm

Present – Claire Mansfield, Sharon White, Amy Onyango, Sandra Carradice, Mary Decent, Amy Donnini, Kathryn Chapman, Mrs Hopkins.

Apologies – Paul Astle, Angie Partington, Alison Marsden, Jane Ratcliffe, Kathryn Chapman, Caroline Blunt, Jules Natlacen, Carol Robinson.

School requests: via Mrs Hopkins, Mrs Walker thanked the PTA for continued support in a time of ever reducing school budgets, and provided some suggestions for PTA funding for 2016/17.

- The committee had previously agreed to an ongoing spend of £200 per term for EYFS – Mrs Hayes has asked for £338 towards multicultural items. **AGREED**

- The committee had previously agreed to contribute towards the KS2 Xmas trip to Manchester. Coach travel is likely to cost £600. **CONTRIBUTION AGREED**

- KS1 Xmas trip to The Brewery, 32 children at £8 each plus coach travel. Claire will ask Dan Willan (school bus driver) for a quote. **AGREED**

- The committee had previously agreed to fund KS1 football coaching during Autumn Term, at a cost of £230. **AGREED TO FUND FOR SPRING TERM**

- Lacrosse kit for KS2 for PE lessons - £300. **AGREED**

- Interactive whiteboards x 4 at £1000 each – a long-term replacement project. Amy D to research CCC IT contacts. Do any parents work in IT supply and could maybe get a better price? The Banks Renewables fund (Whinfell windfarm) would be good for this – Amy D and Sharon will liase with school and submit an application. **AGREED TO FUND 1 WHITEBOARD**

Movie night: booked in for Friday 14th October, immediately after school. 1 film will be shown (possibly Minions Movie). Admission cost will be £3.50 per child, including popcorn and a drink (Kathryn to approach Morrisons for stock donation).

Cake stalls: Halloween theme on Friday 21st October. Christmas theme on Friday 9th December.

Xmas disco: Claire has met a lady DJ who does school discos for £50 for 2 hours (not including game prizes) – we will book her for Thursday 8th December, immediately after school, in the Village Hall (also need to book Village Hall). Admission will be £5 per child. There will be a tuck shop selling sweets, drinks and candyfloss. Claire and Amy O will source light up stuff (headbands, wands) to sell.

School Xmas Party: along the same lines as last year, supplied by Bendrigg at a cost of £2 per child (KS1 get it free). We may add our own food as well. No date booked yet, it depends on when Bendrigg can fit us in – Amy D will ask Bendrigg.

 Claire will do Xmas party hats in school again, if PTA covers costs – around £20 – **AGREED**

Xmas events

- School play (Joseph) – 2 performances on Tuesday 29th November at New Hutton Village Hall. Need tea, coffee, mulled wine, mince pies, 2 x Xmas hampers to raffle

- Church Xmas Fair – usually the last Saturday in November, TBC. If we do it, need crafts for kids and 1 x hamper to raffle

- School Xmas Fair – Monday 5th December at 5pm in the Village Hall. Need tea, coffee, mulled wine, mince pies, 1 x hamper to raffle

Sandra will source donations of tea and coffee from Booths. Claire and Rebecca Hodds will sort 4 Christmas hampers to raffle – letter to go out after half term for donations.

- **Christmas cards:** each child to design a card (Claire and Amy to organise), which will be available to buy in packs of 10 for £10, giving us a healthy profit. Need to organise this quickly due to time spend scanning designs, and printing lead-time. Also require parents to pre-order packs.

Bendrigg 2017: Sharon will speak to Sue Murphy to find out what their plans are for next year. If possible, we will do a BBQ at their summer event. We will look at planning our own fete, after Christmas.

Other suggestions for fundraising: parents cocktail/quiz evening, Skin Tropics party (Claire is attending one so will give feedback)

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 2nd November, 3.20pm, in school, to finalise Christmas plans.