



Friends of Fernhurst Primary School

Meeting minutes - Thursday 10th May 2018 7.30pm Oscar's Room, Fernhurst Primary School

1. **Welcome:** Caroline welcomed everyone.

Present: Caroline Parry (Chair), Ruth Burger (Secretary), Damon Parry (Treasurer), Claudia Codlin, Niels Larsen, Georgie Smith, Robyn Patterson, Hannah Corps, Anna Ward, Lana Kelsey, Claire Conley-Harper.

Apologies: Linzi Shipway, Claire Cole, Naomi Brimacombe, Kitty Aycinena, Blanche Wallace, Nicola Larsen, Jess Shanks, Denise Szabo, Sarah Dodson, Tanya Carr.

2. **Minutes of Last Meeting:** New fundraising ideas still being considered:

- School disco - It was decided this would be too much to consider before the end of the summer term as there are several other FoF's events coming up. It was suggested this may be best towards the beginning of the academic year, possibly around halloween. The idea of having a DJ that doubled as a children's entertainer was also suggested. This may increase the cost, but could mean less activities would be needed to run alongside the disco/entertainer. Caroline to discuss with Mrs Richardson.
- April's mufti day raised £93 and lots of prize donations. It was asked if another mufti day could be held in the summer term for the Summer BBQ tombola. Caroline to discuss with Mrs Richardson.
- Sponsored walk, laps around the school playground.
- The fern display - keeping parents updated in how the money raised by FOFs is being spent. Niels will investigate Nicola's progress. Grant applications, i.e Tesco. Lana Kelsey agreed to look into this further. Hannah Corps also suggested looking into Lottery funding/grants.

Other items discussed were Life Laundry – Damon to check whether payment received.

The Fernhurst Open Day on Sat 17th March was successful. It opened up the life laundry to a wider audience and therefore brought in more donations. The idea of more collection points in the village for future life laundry events was suggested, along with advertising it on the Fernhurst community facebook page.

3. **Chair's Overview:** Caroline began by welcoming and thanking the new committee.

Committee Changes: It was agreed that this would be a new regular item on the agenda to clearly record any new or departing members.

Georgie Smith was re-elected to the committee, proposed by Ruth Burger and seconded by Claudia Codlin.

Communication - Caroline, Robyn and Fiona Atkinson met to discuss communications between FoFs and the school. All FoFs members to give Robyn their information by Weds at the latest so that it can get to Fiona in time for the weekly newsletter.

School Website – Caroline and Robyn to meet to discuss updating. Anna Ward proposed the idea of Fofs having a direct email address. Robyn suggested that we should give a general overview of our fundraising events.

4. **Bank account** – Niels Larsen and Claire Cole to be removed as signatories. New/existing signatories to the bank account to be Caroline Parry, Damon Parry, Lana Kelsey and Ruth Burger.

5. **Recent fundraisers:** Deers cake sale raised £64.30. 100 club winner for March was Lucy Strutt and for April was Caroline Parry. However, Caroline donated her winning back into the 100 club kitty.



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6. **Revels:**

Damon Parry to organise floats.

How many tables will we need - agreed that we will take 4 tables.

More volunteers still required. Claudia will circulate the rota to Class Reps to see if can fill some gaps.

Haslemere Rotary Club have asked if we would consider hosting a Hare, where for £1 a family you can 'guess where the flea is'. It was agreed that we will do this in principal and Caroline Parry to finalise arrangements. We will be sharing the stall again this year with the Pre-school and splitting the proceeds so they receive a third of profits.

Prices agreed:

Bouncy castle - £1 for 4 minutes, maximum 6 children at a time.

Childrens tombola - 3 tickets for £1

Face painting £1.50 for a small motif - choice of 6 designs (Anna to draw up the designs)

No hair braiding on this occasion.

It was felt that bunting and balloons would be good to decorate the stalls.

Thank you to Sarah Dodson for organising a bouncy castle for the Revels, free of charge! This is from AllBouncycastleles.co.uk.

7. **Forthcoming activities:** New parents welcome morning Friday 15th June - Caroline to give a short speech to new parents explaining the role of FoFs. Robyn and Ruth to also assist with serving teas and coffees.

Smartie challenge - Last year it raised £167 a reduction on the previous year. It was suggested that we should have a year off. Caroline received feedback that it should be held over a half-term and Claire Conley Harper suggested a penny collection in the future. Lana Kelsey to have a think about any other fundraising ideas to replace the smart challenge this year.

Summer BBQ - Friday 13th July, 2018

BBQ - Niels to lead.

Cake stall - Ruth to lead

Tombola - Caroline & Lana

Bar - Claire and Robyn

Toddler Track - Hannah & Georgie

Raffle - Claire Conley Harper - Caroline and Claudia to make a list of raffle prizes so far and then will continue to get more.

Lana felt it would be a really nice idea to send out invitation to new parents for the summer BBQ. She came last year as a new parent and felt it was a really nice opportunity for her and her family to get to see the school in a relaxed and informal environment. She especially appreciated it as her daughter didn't attend the Pre school and have those connections.

8. **A.O.B**

Camelsdale Sports day - Lana Kelsey told the committee of a fundraiser that Camelsdale Primary School have, where local businesses pay approx £10 to have their advert on a sheet which is handed out on sports day. It was agreed that this is a good idea and Caroline should discuss this with Mrs Richardson.

Caroline Parry thanked Niels Larsen on behalf of FoFs and the School for all his help during his time as Chair and presented him with a gift.

9. **Next meeting AGM**, Friday 8th June, 7.30pm at Red Lion, Fernhurst