

Baldwins Gate Primary School PTA

Minutes from PTA Meeting held on 11th January 2012

Present: Alison Candlish (T), Liz Campbell (T), Allison Buckley (P), Emma Hore (P), Kate Ellis (P), Jamie Smith (T), Leanne Reeves (T), Mrs Rugg (T), Pam Johnson (P), Mrs Crosby (P)

1) Welcome – especially to Mrs Crosby, attending her first PTA meeting!

2) Apologies: Mrs Lowe (T), Mr Tom Barr (P)

3) Matters arising from previous minutes – Christmas Fair raised £928 (some expenses to be deducted from this); Pamper Evening raised £267; Christmas Disco – amount still TBC
Match funding hopefully available for Xmas Fair via Margaret in Happy Hours. EH to arrange

A big “Thank You!” to the PTA from all the teachers, as all have now purchased the equipment for their classrooms with the money provided by the PTA. Items purchased include a moveable interactive whiteboard, a Book Corner, a Camera and a Listening Centre. All of these will benefit our pupils and their learning experience.

4) Correspondence – Mrs Candlish and Mrs Hore have received a letter from Mrs Lowe asking whether the PTA would consider funding alternations to the Junior Cloakroom area, in order to create more learning space. A quote has been received for the work. Mrs Lowe is asking for part funding. Mrs Ellis suggested her husband may be able to help provide some of the raw materials needed for the work which might reduce the cost. PTA Committee agreed to offer that we will provide all the monies required for this work.

Mrs Ellis has received correspondence from the DJ confirming the following bookings: End of term disco on 19th July 2012 and Xmas disco on 20th Dec 2012. No further action at this stage as payment required on the day of booking.

5) Forthcoming Events The Committee agreed on the following events:

- Film and Quiz Night on 23rd March 2012 (buffet style food to be provided);
- Family Line Dancing Night on 25th May 2012 (with chilli supper, and we will apply for a bar licence). This will be run by Allison Buckley’s mother in law. Mrs Candlish to check whether we can get potatoes from Mrs Montague. Date to be confirmed by Allison Buckley. Offered Line Dancing practice to the children as part of PE lessons in the run up to this event;
- Summer Fair on 7th July 2012 with an Olympics theme.

6) AOB

a) School Website: There is a PTA page on the School website. We all agreed that we should be proactive and ensure this page is populated. This should include the minutes from the meetings, event information, photos from events etc. Mrs Ellis to liaise with Mrs Riley about this.

b) New tables Class 3: Mrs Rugg and Mr Smith asked whether the PTA would fund some new tables in Class 3? £500 requested. Committee approved this amount.

c) New footballs: Miss Reeves asked whether the PTA would fund the purchase of some new leather footballs? Mrs Candlish seemed to think there should be some footballs in the PE storeroom. Miss Reeves to double check and we will consider this at a later date.

d) Ideas to generate more interest in PTA meetings? Ensure PTA newsletter sent out regularly and sent with school newsletter; populate the PTA page on school website; request for parent skills to help with PTA

Suggestion of asking some questions of what parents are looking for from the PTA (on newsletter?) or use of a suggestion box/book at PTA events.

11) Date of next meeting: 22nd February 2012 7pm