



Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 15 July 2008

1 Present

Blandine Martin	Caroline O'Neil	Sally Mullholland
Nina Berry	Yvette Blake	Sarah Gleave
Ann Galvin	Alison Morgan	Becky Soens
Diane Houghton	Sara Murray	Gill Welsh

2 Apologies

Linda Forde, Tim Eden, Fiona Elliott, Alison Hatfield, Alison Bullock, Sharon Hodgkins.

3 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 22nd May were agreed by the group.

4 Treasurer's Update

The Retro games raised 1027.87. Blandine stated that Becky wishes to give up her role as Treasurer next term and mentioned that Catherine Bebbington may be interested. Becky and Sally to discuss this further with her and Becky stated that she would still give her some support.

5 Special Thanks

Nina Berry gave thanks to the HSA for all the fund raising, and especially for the children's' parties/discos and the support with the summer fair, and for helping to get the other parents motivated.

Yvette Blake gave thanks to all who supported the town trail.

Blandine thanked Ann Galvin, who is leaving cobs HSA, for all her support over the past two years as this has been greatly appreciated by everyone.

6 New members

Blandine welcomed some new members to the group - Gill Welsh, Sara Murray and Sharon Hodgkins (who had to send her apologies) and thanked them for their support which is greatly valued.

7 Reception Party

Blandine thanked Caroline O'Neil for organising Paul Storey, as he was a great success and went down well with 5 year olds.

Blandine asked whether children could be photographed during parties/discos etc. Mrs Blake said that the school has a list of names of the pupils whose

parents do not wish their children to be photographed, so approval/refusal to use photos taken during HSA events could be confirmed.

8 Sponsored Feather Swan

Ann Galvin stated that £280 has been raised so far. Sally commented that some bigger feathers could be purchased by companies if enough aren't sold.

9 Hardwood Benches/Millennium Garden

Yvette commented that she wants to develop the millennium playground as a priority as opposed to buying some benches. She commented that some companies have already been asked for quotes. The idea is to remove muddy patches and include other ideas such as a pirate ship, plane, stage, bridges, ball shots etc. The school would put some money towards this but also the money raised from the bid could also be for this. Yvette is going to get another quote from the company that is currently developing the wild life garden. It was also mentioned that the playground markings need re-painting.

10 Chime Bells

Ann Galvin stated that Cathy from Cobbs office has purchased the 15 Chime Bells. Becky will pass on HSA money to cover the expense.

11 Cake Sale

This will take place on **Friday 26 September 2008**. The money raised will help to support a child in our community who has Leukaemia. Mr Thompson one of our parents is running the London marathon to raise money for this cause.

12 Letter of thanks

Blandine asked Diane to pass on the HSA thanks to the company she works for (OyezStraker) for the donation of blue paper. Diane is going to find out if her company is prepared to continue donating the paper.

It was agreed that Becky would write an end of year letter with a brief summary of this year's events, including thanks to OyezStraker for supplying blue paper, to Ian McManus for Walkers crisps, to Pewterspear Roofing, to Saffy's and all the other people that have supplied and supported the HSA over the past year.

13 Nursery Party

The tea party is to be held on the last day of school and Ann Galvin will be giving Sarah Gleave some HSA cash to buy some party food.

14 Washing Machine

Ann Galvin stated that Carol, the Cobbs kitchen manager, has asked us to consider purchasing a washing machine, to be used for tea towels, Christmas costumes, etc. Yvette Blake stated it's a good idea but needs careful consideration as it's not practical to be loading washing machines during school time.

15 Poster and Pictures

Blandine discussed the idea of a poster/pictures of the HSA. This could be displayed somewhere so that parents can identify who we are. Sally suggested a HSA *notice board* to display photos, events, minutes and general communication etc. Discussion took place as to where the notice board should be situated. It was agreed that a *newsletter* would also be good as more parents are likely to read this. Becky stated that a newsletter could be sent in September informing parents of new members and up-coming events.

16 Any Other Business

Ladies night

It was decided that this will be held on **Tuesday 11 November**.

Christmas Year 2 Party

Discussion took place as to whether to have an entertainer or party games. This will be held on **Friday 12 December**. Alison Morgan and Sally Mullholland will make some enquires about entertainers.

New Intake Day

22 October for parents of prospective pupils

17 Next HSA Meeting

The next meeting will be held on

Tuesday 16 September 2008

At 7.45 pm

in Cobbs School staffroom.

New faces and fresh ideas will be very welcome.