Minutes of FOSDA Meeting 2 February 2017

In attendance

1. Mirka Jones (MJ) - Chair
2. Claire O’Neill (CON) - Secretary
3. Sandra Birt (SB)
4. Chris Law (CL)
5. Claire Evans (CE) - Teacher Representative
6. Angela Heald (AH) – Head teacher
7. Luisa Sohal (LS)
8. Ruth Cronin (RC)
9. Astrid Beckmann (AB)

Apologies Received

1. Christy Kennedy (Treasurer) (CK)
2. Cerys Mugford
3. Kathryn Di Terlizzi
4. Claudia da Silva Martins

1. Welcome and introductions

It was agreed that the meeting was quorate.

1. Minutes and matters arising –none.
2. MJ gave an finance update. FOSDA currently holds £4715.26 in the current account and £983.80 in the savings account. Total is £5699.06. It was agreed that the savings account balance would be maintained as a buffer for unexpected purchases or to pay for out of pocket expenses e.g. items for Summer and Christmas fetes and then reimbursed to this account from the proceeds. MJ thanked LS for arranging £500 match-funding from her employer.
3. Spending requests:

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| Item | Year group | Amount | Decision |
| “Rainbows” training for staff – a 10 week bereavement and loss support programme for primary school children | School-wide | £760 | On hold – teachers to discuss |
| picnic benches, umbrellas and colouring books | School-wide and ASC | £1300 | Approved |
| 15 sets of Headphones for ITC suite | School- wide | £150 | Approved |
| Green screen for film making | School-wide | £100 | Approved |
| Sand and water tables for yrs 1 and 2  Fruit tuck – shop counter  Storage benches etc | Year 1 and Year 2 | Up to £2000 | Approved |
| Welsh signage and reading books in Welsh | School-wide | £250 | Approved |
| 30 Welsh dictionaries | School-wide | £210 | Approved |
| 30 Good news Bibles | School-wide | Will look into possible sponsorship by families and local parishes | |
| Enquire with the Council re a road sign – indicating where the school is | School-wide | To be researched a bit more | |

1. Possible Future Events
2. Monthly coffee mornings for parents
3. Valentines Disco on 14 February – bring party clothes and change in school £1 for a drink and crisps/biscuit
   * 1. Infants in school time. Mrs Evans and staff to organise music and dancing
     2. Juniors after school – Mr Mugford and MJ to organise
4. MJ discussed the possibility of some story time/movie club activity for the children in Nursery and Reception as they can’t attend the main Film Club
5. Family picnic in Margam Park once the weather improves
6. Toddler Play group – in school on Thursday afternoons. 2.00-3.20PM. RC, LS and MJ organising. £1,50 charge for tea/coffee etc
7. Lego Club/Craft in School discussed and AH suggested having themed ASC days. MJ will consider further
8. Easter bonnet parade etc to be organised
9. Easter/Lent Challenge – possibly pancake races/sponsored pancake toss in school in aid of a charity e.g. Mary’s Meals. CON will speak to the School Council about the idea and report back.
10. Fun run in aid of NSPCC in the Summer term. CE meeting with NSPPC representative soon to make plans
11. MJ reminded the group to sign up to easyfundraising.co.uk.

AOB:

Next meeting will be in March and will be an AGM and committee will stand down from positions with elections to follow.

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