



FRIENDS OF TAVERNSPITE SCHOOL

Tavernspite School, Tavernspite, Pembs., SA34 0NL



MINUTES

7th May 2021

Present:

Jeremy Cross (Chair and Secretary), Holly Folly (Treasurer)

1. Constitution Resolution

It was noted that the constitution help by the Charity Commission was updated last in 2012 and was not fit for purpose according to the Parentkind recommended best practice PTA constitution. It was decided unanimously to update to the March 2018 Parentkind Constitution (see attached).

Action:

JC to upload the updated constitution to the Charity Commission

2. Fundraising - iPads

JC and HF met with Kevin Phelps and Sarah Arthur at school on April 27th to discuss how FoTS may best support the school. The school are looking to purchase new iPads (the current sharing arrangements between Tavernspite and Templeton are limiting pupil use) and upgrading the Early Years pirate ship. It was agreed unanimously that FoTS would raise funds toward these two school needs.

Actions:

JC to contact KP and SA to understand cost of iPads purchase, installation, support, etc.
(from council)

HF to explore comparison iPad costs from private vendors

3. Fundraising – non-event options

JC spoke with Cath Morton, Templeton FoTS Chair, on April 9th. They raised £4000 through the Co-op Scheme <https://causes.coop.co.uk> in 2019/2020. She also recommended the Persimmon Homes Community Fund who they received £1000 from 18 months ago. Easyfundraising is also an option which we agreed to try and advertise to parents/staff linked to relevant buying events, e.g. Father's Day (June 20th), end of term teacher gifts (July 20th), Christmas, etc. Matched funding from banks is also an option, but due to the limited number of times it may be applied for, it was agreed to wait until a higher reuniting event takes place next (potentially the Christmas Fair 2021).

Actions:

JC to research and initiate Co-op, Persimmon and easyfundraising sign ups.

4. Events



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KP and SA shared that the two events that FoTS may support this summer term are the Art Exhibition (22nd June) and Sports Day (18th June). The Colby Fun Run would not be possible to take place this year due to COVID restrictions. At a minimum, FoTS agreed to potentially support event food/drink being the Pizza Oven, teas/coffees and selling ice-cream. We noted that the event may have limitations due to COVID requirements and concerns and may exclude some parents.

Actions:

JC to contact KP to ask what's possible due to COVID restrictions and how this might change, effect timings, etc.

5. Engaging parents in FoTS

We discussed a number of issues/ideas to involve more parents in FoTS:

- Use email/Facebook page via school secretary
- Use the current FoTS What's App group
- Run coffee mornings on Friday's (COVID notwithstanding)
- Offer parents to lead aspects of the event management

Actions:

JC to draft an update to be emailed/posted on Facebook/posted on What's App (to include FoTS intro, committee update, our plans/timetable, request for specific event support, etc.)

JC to ask Kevin about options for hosting coffee morning on Friday (to include young children as well as parents)