

Friends of St Wilfrid's School

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Minutes

Date	03/02/2022	Location:	Small Hall, St Wilfrid's School
Start time:	19:45	Chair:	Julia Perry
Finish Time:	22:00	Minutes:	Richard Bowman

Present:	Apologies:
Julia Perry	Zoe Fryer
Richard Bowman	Anna Čecil
Louise Bennett	Gayle Gaydon
Sarah Overall	Debbie Hannan
Sarah Milton-Hunt	Kerrie Clark
Kim Waterhouse	Angi Weber
Jess Finn	

Agenda item	Discussion	Action
1) Approval of	No objections, all approved.	
previous minutes		
and action points:		
2) Teacher	No teacher requests.	
requests/feedback:	Teacher feedback from those that attended the	
	Christmas Fair was very positive and they	
	enjoyed attending and assisting.	
	It was mentioned how it was a shame that more	
	Governors were not able to attend.	
3) Previous events:		
a) Christmas	Christmas card sales went well with only one	
Cards	issue which was easily resolved.	
	The Christmas cards raised £550 profit for	
	FOSW (£135 in 2019).	
b) Christmas Tree	Christmas Decoration Competition had a good	
Decoration	number of entries and prizes were handed	
Competition	out to the winners.	

	The Tree Decoration Competition raised £70 (£65 in 2019).	
c) Raffle	 ZF was unable to attend to provide any comments on the raffle. The raffle raised £1,600 for the Christmas Fair 	
d) Christmas Fair	 (£980 in 2019). Feedback from all that attended was very positive. 	
	 By being outside the extra space was very much appreciated by all and added to the Christmassy feel. 	
	The music outside went down well and added to the Christmassy feel. The music is the little hall did not weather a recent	
	 The music in the little hall did not work very well and the equipment was temperamental. It was agreed that it should be outside again next 	
	year, although appreciated that the weather is a risk factor.	
	 The burger van raised £50, and the coffee van raised £30. Previously the BBQ has raised £380 (2019), the tea/coffee/cake stall raised £270 (2019) (cakes and soft drinks raised £140 this year). Thus, by outsourcing hot drinks and burgers, FOSW approximately £430 down on previous (2019) Christmas Fair. 	
	 Agreed that outsourcing the burgers and hot drinks was the right thing to do in the circumstances with risks of last-minute cancellations and lack of sufficient volunteers. Some stalls were managed by children. In the future, children can only manage stalls if there are also adults managing stalls nearby. 	

	•	The Christmas Fair raised £3,800 (including the	
		raffle and burger van and hot drinks van) (£4,180	
		in 2019).	
4) Future Event	•	Organising events and setting up will be more	
Planning:		challenging with the current committee	
		members due to many members, including	
		the Chair and Treasurer not being free on a	
		Friday.	
	•	More time-free volunteers would help	
		significantly with setting events up.	
	•	Consideration of forming volunteer groups,	
		making clear this would not be requiring to	
		commit to all events over the year.	
	•	Enquire about using Class Parent	
		Representatives to assist with recruiting	
		volunteers (if the school wish to bring them	
		back).	
	•	Following the picnic had immediately after	
		school in September which brought in some	
		volunteers, consider an adult only evening	
		event, probably with drinks, to recruit and	
		also host the AGM.	
a) 2022 Challenge	•	The 2022 Envelope challenge envelopes have	
		been printed and will be distributed around	
		the school on Friday 4th February.	
	•	Considered promoting the 2022 challenges on	
		Facebook to create a challenging aspect of	
		it, in hope of stirring up a bit of a competition.	
b) Discos	•	Proposed dates for discos:	
		Friday 11 th March	
	•	Sarah (SMH) able to DJ again on 11 th March.	
	•	Biggest challenge with the disco is finding	
		someone to take on the organising, and Jess	SMH
		(JF) kindly agreed to take this on.	JF
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- Someone still needed to arrange volunteers.
- Discussions had on glow sticks and the single use element of them.
- Stated that the only complaints from the last disco were the fact that there were not enough glow sticks.
- Alternative options were discussed, including offsetting the glow sticks by donating to green charities, or planting trees or similar, or having a black-light party, or providing UV light face paint, or similar.
- It is known that the glow sticks are very popular with the pupils.
- Will discuss with the school to see if they have any objections to continuing with the use of glow sticks.
- Tickets for the disco will be available online (for the first time), but will still also be available in person.
- Due to lack of volunteers, ticket sales in person will only be available one morning and one afternoon, at most.
- Face to face ticket sales will be payable via cash or card, assuming card reader available in time.
- SMH able to arrange setting up online payment system.
- Required information needed for online payments is full name, class, parent willing to volunteer, song requests, contact email, for confirmation of purchase.
- Tickets not necessary, collation of names and classes sufficient for checking off on entry to school disco.

c) FOSW Logo	After half-term a free competition to design a	
Competition	replacement school logo will be put forward.	
	• Prize(s) for the best logo(s) will be available,	
	likely an Easter Egg.	
	The winning logo will be digitised and used on	
	future FOSW correspondence.	
d) Summer Picnic	Proposed Summer Picnic, with ice cream van	
	and coffee van, early summer, possibly 29th	
	April.	
e) Summer Fair	Needs a lot of organising and volunteers.	
	• Provisional date of Saturday 2 nd July. Friday's	
	not practical due to lack of free volunteers	
	available on a Friday.	
5) AGM	• Proposed to host AGM as a meet and greet	
	event to encourage more volunteers to join	
	and contribute.	
	Potentially combine with a Quiz.	
6) Other Agenda	Once a new logo has been selected, banners will	
Items	be purchased for advertising future events.	
	• SMH & JF will take on the FOSW Facebook	SMH & JF
	page.	
	• Question was asked on what the school want to	
	do with any money raised.	
	• Agreed that good to have a target item(s) or	
	similar for the fundraising carried out.	
	Consider if the proposed change to Academy	
	Status with Hurst Education Trust could	
	enable use of their facilities or any equipment	
	to the benefit of FOSW.	
7) Next Meeting	Proposed 31 st March	