

Jersey College for Girls Parents' Association
Minutes of a Committee Meeting held on Monday 17th September 2012

Members Present:

Penny Carter ("PC") Chairperson
Katherine Bolton ("KB") Secretary
Ian Meeks ("IM") Treasurer
Kathryn Slater ("KS")
Alison Cooper ("AC")
Alex Fearn ("AF")
Janet Hodges ("JH") – Prep Rep
Alison Brown ("ABn") – Parent Governor
Ruth Siodlak ("RS")
Claire Bourne ("CB")
Letitia Rebindaine ("TR")

Apologies for absence:

Alexa Blampied ("AB")
Carl Howarth ("CH")
Jakki Barnes ("JB")
Fiona Atkinson ("FA")
Sandra Costard ("SC")

Welcome

PC welcomed everyone to the meeting

Approval of Minutes from meeting held on 18th June 2012

The Minutes of the Meeting were approved and the chairman authorised to sign.

Matters Arising from previous Minutes

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

Treasurer Report

The full report is being prepared and will be discussed in detail at the forthcoming AGM. Current account balance is circa £1,100. A further cheque was handed over from Easy Fundraising in the sum of £23.85. RS also confirmed that there is £333.00 sitting in the Co-Op Account. The total for 32 compacts presented to the leadership team for the year 2011 amounted to £520.80.

Terrace Project

SC to be asked to follow up with St Peters Garden Centre to obtain an update on any orders to be delivered to the school and what further efforts were needed to undertake to push this project to a conclusion.

Teddy and Charm Selling

KB to drop an email to the admin team in the office to clarify how we wish them to handle teddy selling. Both RS and JH were willing to be the key points of contact if necessary.

Parent Questionnaire

The PA achieved a score of 89% indicating we are active, accessible and welcoming but obtained a lower score on knowing who the year reps are. This will be remedied with a letter to individual year groups following the AGM. All details are available on the school website. In the meantime, AF agreed to liaise with Leanda Guy and Debbie King on the prospect of hooking up to use the Facebook site for the purpose of primarily selling second hand school uniform.

Update on ESC Response

PC confirmed she had received a response from the Minister for Education, Deputy Patrick Ryan and was willing to attend a meeting to discuss the points contained in the email sent. The committee agreed that PC, AF and LR should attend and PC will follow up to obtain a convenient time and date.

Any Other Business

Parents Survey

KS reiterated the statistics in response to the parent survey and the areas the PA need to improve on to increase their percentage score.

Foundation Loyalty Card

KB advised she had met with Leanda Guy to discuss the plans for a Loyalty Card. Some of the businesses willing to offer discounted rates were high end market and may be out of the usual remit for some people. A more cross the board mixture may make the purchase of the card more appealing. This continues to be a work in progress project for Leanda.

Jersey Water 130th Anniversary Fund Appeal

AF advised Jersey Water have launched a fund appeal which may benefit the school. AF agreed to liaise with Leanda Guy and Cormac Timothy to see which scheme would fit the criteria and AF will arrange and submit the relevant paperwork.

Sports Day

A parent had raised the suggestion that Parents' should be invited to sports day and was disappointed this was not the case. Many parents' do attend but the solution could be for the Parents' Association to organize a Pimms Tent for Sports Day which may encourage more parental support.

Date for the Next Meeting

Date of next meeting: **AGM will take place on Monday 8th October at 6.30 in The Dome followed by a General Committee Meeting**