

FOHA AGM 20th October 2020

Zoom Meeting

Attendance

Duncan Rose, Shavalyea Gilbert, Jackie Clode-Dickens, Jess McGinty, Rebecca Cracknell Angus Halkett, Jane, Dhanmita Boodhna, Claire Rouke, Lisa Davies, Kelley, Alison, Susan Leggot, Michael Doyle, Wilma Solomon and Paul Molloy

Apologies

Kirsty Hollywood, Claire Price

2019/20 Report (D.Rose. See report provided by Chair for full details)

- Welcomed those attending, particularly new members.
- Treasury Report - Reported an overall loss for the year due to cancelled events as a result of COVID-19. Currently £1160 in account.
- Funds raised included Comedy Night (£857), Christmas trees (£15043), pantomime (£622), uniform sales (£1,330) and Egg Hunt (£99)
- Outgoings included school trips (£1100) and library (£620). J. McGinty questioned whether library payments were still active and L.Davies confirmed they had been cancelled. Current commitments of payments to the school include the science programme, class trips and class resources.
- Overview of events run saw successes with the Comedy Night which saw an increase in volunteers with the set up and bar now running very smoothly. Whilst the event did not run, the Egg Hunt planning saw the implementation of plans for the event to run at the preferred venue of the Cricket Club with new risk assessments/routes etc now in place to hopefully run in future years.

Plans for 2020/21 (J.Close-Dickens/S.Gilbert)

- Roles for 2020/21. D. Rose to step down as Chair. Thanks for work this year and to J. CD and S. Gilbert for volunteering to fill the role. Both elected unanimously. Present roles discussed with confirmation of the following; R.Cracknell (Secretary), Kirsty Hollywood (Sub-Secretary), W. Solomon-Oder (Treasurer) with the role of Sub-Treasurer remaining unfilled. Angus reiterated the importance of this role to ensure covering financial arrangements are adhered to at events where the Treasurer is not able to attend. There were no volunteers to fill the role on the call and therefore it will need to be advertised. Role of Events to be split with P. Molloy leading the Egg Hunt, K. Haines Comedy Night and Becci Mabode the summer event (S. Gilbert confirmed BM happy to continue to lead this at present)
- Class Reps to continue to play a vital role in organising volunteers despite the effectiveness of DoJo for conveying class information. J.CD had discussed with existing Reps and outlined vacancies. Reps for 20/21 to be as follows; Helen Camfield (Ladybirds), Jess McGinty (Elmer), Alison (Moomin), Joanna (Potter), Ruth/Dhamita (Kerr), Sarah Elderton (Dahl) and Lisa/Lucy (Shakespeare). This leaves only the role for Dr.Suess class to be filled. Thanks to those continuing in role and those stepping up.
- S. Gilbert has revised the information regarding FOHA that has previously been shared with new parents to the school and L. Davies confirmed that she is happy for this to be shared again with all parents.

- Planned events for this year currently include Comedy Night (proposed), Pumpkin Trail (confirmed) and Christmas trees (confirmed by S.Leggot). D. Rose confirmed that Christmas cards will run this year with arrangements in place. J.CD introduced Cookies That Count - a non-profit organisation offering 92p/sale to the school. Halloween cookies currently on sale but Christmas also available. Information shared on Classlist.
- Pumpkin Trail - Saturday 31st October. All agreed with council and risk assessment/ plans in place. A digital trail was investigated but costly but worth bearing in mind for the Egg Hunt if restrictions continue. 243 tickets sold to date (notes that mostly not HA families) and to be capped at 300. Tickets sold at £2 with approximately half to be profit. The school will be decorated. Volunteers still required with sign up via Classlist. S. Gilbert outlines the plan and roles to be filled on the day. Nicola currently designing the map with all final information to be shared with those buying tickets on Friday 30th (email confirming purchase outlines this). Donations of pre carved pumpkins could be made by contacting S. Gilbert. J. CD will produce an overview of information for Reps to share with parents.
- Comedy Night. The proposed event was discussed with L. Davies suggesting that an adequate time frame for planning would need to factor in clearance of the event from the Trust. J. CD requested a footprint of the hall and information relating to available toilets to enable her to finalise the plans. Proposals include a seated, socially distanced event with 6/table and table service of drinks and tapas style food. S. Leggot confirmed that, in previous years, approximately 70/75 tickets needed to be sold to break even so analysis of this and ticket price would need to be considered. P. Molloy questioned possibility of running on two night with S.Leggot suggesting that tickets had not sold out in previous years so viability of this was unlikely.
- Christmas trees. Last year's event saw sales down due to the timings available for collection. This year's sees collection on 4/5/12th December. Other schools involved continue to be enthusiastic and new school have joined for this year seeing approximately 17 now involved. We receive £20/ tree for HA sales and £10/tree for sales made via other schools. Volunteers needed for Covid secure collection. J. CD confirmed she had secured a van/driver (possibly 2) for deliveries. A push on online advertising to take place after Halloween with request for other parents to share the load of sharing on FB. P. Molloy suggested a decorated tree at the end of the Pumpkin Trail and it was decided that leaflet advertising would be included as part of the packs given at the end.
- Egg Hunt - Easter. P. Molloy to conduct preliminary planning but to be discussed at next meeting.
- Other possible events suggested included a Christmas shopping/pamper evening with S. Gilbert suggesting that this may be conducted online and a 'Spot the Oddity' trail.

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- Suggested that more frequent, shorter, team calls via Zoom may be possible moving forward and useful for further exploring ideas. Possibility for first after Half Term.
- Priorities for spending will need to be further discussed to confirmed spends in light of this years loss of revenue.
- S. Gilbert confirmed new website active at www.foha.co.uk