

## BRGS Parent Teacher Association Meeting

Thursday 18 November 2021 7.30pm

On ZOOM

Minutes

Present: DE, TDJ, KG, CK, MM, PD, AP, Adele, LS, SM, RG, ET, RE, BH, FK, LD, LH, ECG, Jackie, MDP, IW,AW,JPhil, Scarlett, Christina

Apologies: MS, MHG, MG,

Item	Actions
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>General PTA Meeting</u></b></p> <p><u>Welcome to new members:</u> no new members</p> <p><u>6<sup>th</sup> Form bid request</u> – Mr Morris head of 6<sup>th</sup> form joined the meeting briefly to explain about the funding bid made. He also thanked PTA for their support of similar bids in previous years.</p> <p><u>Minutes of previous meeting</u> – approved as true record.</p> <p><u>Treasurer's Report</u></p> <p>Current balance £4401.64 in credit. Report attached. Nothing else to report as no incomings and no outgoing.</p> <p><u>200 Club report</u></p> <p>Total in bank at present £6272.14 after payment for tonight's draws made. This sum is available to PTA for funding of school bids. Currently 171 members.</p> <p>Draws: October Number 1 winning £208.75 November Number 3 winning £213.75</p> <p>Usual email will be sent into school to go out on PTA Insight to announce winners and details of how to sign up to 200 Club. Social media to also be updated.</p> <p>We have also heard from one of the winners drawn at the last meeting. They are donating their prize back to the PTA in memory of his late wife who was a teacher. FK is to liaise with winner of an appropriate purchase to benefit the school.</p>	<p>KG</p> <p>FK</p>

Matter arising for this meeting

Grand Raffle

The tickets previously purchased in 2019 were accidentally disposed of during an office clear out at the school.

We cannot get these re-printed in time to do the raffle before Christmas so it will now be held in the Spring. The draw will be made in the PTA meeting on 24/03/2022.

Tickets to be sent into school for 01/02/2022 ready for office staff to envelope and send out. The tickets and payment are to be received back in school by 18/03/2022. 3 books of tickets per pupil will be sent home with pupils.

AP to sort ticket reprint and also check that we are still getting a competitive price on the ticket printing. ECG will pass on details of the company she has found that appear to be cheaper. Grand prize will be £250.00 cash, then various other prizes.

ECG/AP

Bid requests – copies of these have already been seen by PTA members. Total value of bids approximately £5549.98.

PE Department have advised that the £650.00 allocated to them last year for the transport to an athletics competition was unused – this will be carried over reducing the value of their bid by £650.00.

The hardship fund for school trips awarded (£1250 in November 2019 and £750 in November 2020) has not been used. School are to pass the £2000.00 back to PTA. This will then be available should any further bids requests be received in the Spring/Summer term when the position on school trips will be clearer.

Bids approved as follows:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Amount requested</b>
Year 10 Speaker – Self-Harm	£1000
Attitude to Learning Awards (Speech Night)	£830
Year 8 Book Club	£560
Evacuation Chair and Portable Stretcher	£559.98
Year 12 Team-Building	£750
Plastic Shredder	Amount tbc
Learning Resource Centre – Author Visits	£1000
LEGO Club	£150

EG to advise respective staff that their bids will be funded.

ECG

School Report

School currently feeling much more vibrant with extra-curricular activities re-instated, however the impact of COVID is still under constant review and monitoring.

A lockdown drill took place in school today. Some students with previously known anxiety issues were forewarned of this.

Christmas lunch will take place again this year and students have been notified.

Virtual employer talks /presentations have been taking place and are open to all students. So far they have been on jobs within medicine and life at university.

Junior speech night to be held 24/11/2021 but will be during the school day due to COVID restrictions. Senior speech night invitations will be issued shortly.

The senior leadership team are mindful that parents have not had the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the school and staff due to restrictions on visitors to the school. This is under constant review.

Future fundraising events

- Non uniform day for PTA – date of 24 March 2022 allocated by school.
- Easy fundraising and Amazon Smile to be promoted on PTA social media and via PTA Insight. KG to liaise with RE regarding posting to social media streams,

AOB

A shadow for the current chairperson is still needed with a view to taking over the role in September 2022, please contact the PTA if interested.

School buses/late marks – It was suggested that maybe a parents forum could be set up to discuss such matters as it fell outside the remit of the PTA. RE has offered to bring the matter up at the next governors meeting as she is currently a parent governor at BRGS.

**Next Meeting 24 March 2022.**

KG