

## MPCC Meeting – Tuesday 9 May 2017 @ 18.30

### Minutes of Meeting

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**Present:** Heather Herd (chairman), Leanne Hill (secretary), Fiona Thomson, Willie Brown, Morag Williamson, Lesley McNamee, Kellie Doig

**Chaired by:** Heather Herd

1. **Apologies:**

Bev MacKinnon, Karen Wolstencroft, Chantal Hay, Kim Tait, Sara Adair, Karen Stather, Emma Kellas

2. **Minutes of last meeting**

Minutes approved.

3. **Raft Race - Sunday 21 May 2017**

3.1 Team: Willie Brown, David Hill, Euan Milne and David MacKinnon.

3.2 Fiona will put a call out for parent volunteers for the strawberry stall. Heather, Leanne, Bev (and girls), Karen Wolstencroft and Kim have volunteered already. Half hour stints between 12 and 3.

3.3 Leanne will contact Mairi at What's for tea tonight? regarding ordering strawberries and Heather will get marshmallows and skewers. Heather also to ask Kim where we normally get juice/water from.

3.4 Last year the kebabs sold for £2 or £2.50.

3.5 The school is doing the drawing competition.

4. **Brewdog Academy**

4.1 Greg hasn't heard back from Brewdog so we won't be doing the beer academy in this academic year but will continue to look in to it for next year.

4.2 Fiona recently attended the Luthermuir PTA bingo night and gave good feedback on the event. It was held between 6.30 and 8.30 on a Friday night and they made £300 profit.

4.3 Luthermuir sold strips for £1. They also had a game of stand up bingo and cash bingo - £5 a line or £20 for a full house. The format was 3 or 4 games followed by a break then stand up bingo, 3 more games then the cash bingo. They also sold dabbers for £1.

4.4 Attendees discussing holding an event in the Hall on **Friday 9 June 2017** at 6.30. This would be BYOB.

4.5 Fiona will check availability of the Hall. She will also ask the children to make up posters and ask for donations for prizes.

4.6 Either Karen Wolstencroft or Bev have a bingo machine – to ask if we can use this.

4.7 Morag will get tickets.

4.8 Entry costs to be the same as last year - £6 per adult and £3 per child and £1 per number for stand up bingo.

## 5. **Parent Survey**

5.1 Willie giving an update on the parent survey. Noting that there has been a reasonable response so far – 9 responses, 8 on the first day.

5.2 Most people saying they would like to come more often but the respondents had different reasons for not coming. Some felt the time was too early and others too late but the majority felt 6.30 was ok. Some felt they might be pressured into helping and others had childcare issues that prevented them attending.

5.3 Consensus was that the current time and day were fine and that people should be encouraged to come along and reassured that they wouldn't be forced in to helping or becoming an office bearer.

5.4 Agreed to try a cheese and wine night for our next meeting which is the AGM in September. Heather will get supplies.

## 6. **Charitable Status**

6.1 Majority of the respondents to the parent survey were supportive of the MPCC applying for charitable status.

6.2 Attendees were also supportive and so Willie will look at progressing the application.

## 7. **AOCB**

### 7.1 **Joint meeting with Luthermuir PTA**

Fiona advising that Luthermuir are happy to meet up. Leanne happy to liaise with them so Fiona will pass on her email address.

### 7.2 **Uniforms**

Discussion regarding Fiona Cooper's example uniforms. Most noting that Tesco is cheaper and others would prefer to source their own plain uniforms.

Fiona to check with Fiona Cooper about prices for an embroidery only service.

### 7.3 **Christmas Cards**

Fiona circulating a list of prices for the new supplier, Chameleon e.g. £5.50 for a 12 pack of A6 cards, £6 for a 6 pack of A5 premium cards, gift tags £2 for 12.

Agreed to keep Art Project as the school's preferred supplier.

### 7.4 **Tesco blue token funding**

Morag noting that it is easier to get Tesco funding if you are a charity so agreed that we should look at this again once we have progressed the charity application. The donations could be £300-400 from Asda and £12,000 -15,000 from Tesco so it is worth pursuing.

### 7.5 **Drumming Showcase**

Discussing the opportunity for p4-7 pupils attending the drumming showcase at the Youth Music Initiative Festival in Inverurie on 7 June between 7 and 9pm. They would be performing "Hold back the river" that they performed at the Easter service. The school may have to meet the cost of the bus (£300-400 approximately). Fiona is waiting back to hear from Mrs Edgar on the bus but attendees broadly supportive of the idea as a great opportunity for the children.

7.6 **AGM**

8. **Date of next meeting**

AGM - Tuesday 12 September 2017 at 7pm. Cheese, wine and nibbles.