

FRIENDS OF SGHS MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: Thu 14th January 2021

Time: 7.00pm

Venue: Virtual Meeting (via Zoom)

Present: Steve Rose (SR), Chloe Vereker (CV), Dawn Rollins (DR), David Whitfield (DW), Emma Wood (EW), Matt Willis (MW).

	SUBJECT	ACTION
1	<p>Apologies: None.</p>	
2	<p>Festive money spinners: Parents/carers, families and friends were extremely generous with £1,530 collected for the festive hamper ticket sales and £562.89 collected for the online Christmas Market. Thanks to everyone for making these such a success. As a result a total of £2,164 worth of funding was released to the school before the Christmas break for: English books, Engineering CAD, Outdoor seating materials, Santa Dash prizes, Christmas term Awards and School Hardship items. The online market place set up by EW remains 'live' and can be used for future online sales.</p>	
3	<p>Finances: EW provided a written update on the finances. There are still £1,900 worth of outstanding commitments to honour during 2021. We have about £2,900 in the bank account, a proportion of which always needs to be retained as our day to day working capital.</p>	
3	<p>Funding requests: There are currently no 'live' funding requests from the school. Friends will now actively seek some more funding requests from the school, especially from the Dept Heads. We are keen to support longer term funding requests, but realise that the current Covid-19 situation is making this difficult. We also need to publicise more widely when we hand over funding to school for good causes.</p>	<p>SR to draft an email to School Dept Heads asking them to consider submitting a funding request to Friends.</p>
4	<p>150 Club DW reported that we have 67 numbers sold for 2021. Still need to promote more sales – CV to contact Dan to promote 150 Club to parents again. Draws for winners in Jan, Feb and Mar will be drawn in Mar.</p>	<p>DW to continue liaising with Lesley Stott, re. 150 Club matters.</p>

<p>6</p>	<p>Possible 'virtual' events and other fund raising activities during 2021</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Online disco – possibly targeting younger year groups. 2. Online quiz – agreed to be explored further by MW and DW. Provisional date – Fri 26 Feb. Price £10 per family. Prizes to be won. Chloe to ask Dan to generate a new flyer for circulation. DW to check with Joanne Busfield any school restrictions to such an event (e.g. GDPR issues). 3. Sponsored Hike. This could be scheduled to be executed on an individual or family basis early in the summer term (at a date/ time to be determined when Covid restrictions are lifted a little and things ease up). Friends will produce a Sponsorship Form which will be posted on Friends webpage and FB for download) and all participants are encouraged to enter and collect funds. Suggested hike route, i.e. Sharpaw from Skipton - to be worked out by Friends, and those who wish to participate will hope to collect a minimum of £5 in sponsorship money. If a student collects more than £30 in funds then they will receive a free bespoke Friends neckpiece/snood with school logo on (DW to organise), as an incentive. All sponsor names should ideally be collected on form before the hike is completed and collected funds should be handed into school in a sealed envelope with sponsorship form and name of participant clearly marked on front by the deadline date (yet to be determined). Snoods and a prize for the winner of the 'highest sponsorship funds raised' given after hike. 4. Art Calendar for year 2022, to be produced later in year with work from all school year groups, hopefully working with school's art department to source and select, possibly in lieu of end of year art exhibition, (which is unlikely to go ahead in 2021). Chloe to contact art department. CV will look into costs and printing to share at next meeting so time scale and sale price can be determined. Ideally be printed in the autumn term and sold at 2021 Christmas markets and through ParentPay. 	<p>MW and DW to explore online quiz options (e.g. Kahoot).</p> <p>DW to explore costs of Snoods, and bulk discounts.</p> <p>CV to explore costs</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>Spring Hamper: Spring and Easter themed donations. More donations for the hamper are requested from Friends, parents and staff (to be delivered to CVs house, or via other means). The sale of tickets for the festive hamper will go on sale via ParentPay (£5 for a strip of 5 tickets). Ticket allocation will be undertaken by EW. The draw will take place on 23rd Mar, with last ticket sales on 22nd Mar.</p>	<p>More hamper item donations to CV. Advert for Hamper tickets to be sent out to parents /carers ASAP. Add ticket sales to ParentPay</p>

8	<p>Friends Email address: DR reported that no outstanding queries sent to Friends email address since last meeting that needed to be addressed by group.</p>	<p>DR to continue periodic checking of Friends email.</p>
9	<p>Next Meeting: The next Friends meeting (a Zoom meeting) is proposed to take place at 7pm on Thu 28 Jan 2021.</p>	<p>All welcome</p>
	<p>AOB Covid restrictions have meant that Friends have, unfortunately, not been able to engage with the current Year 7 parents/carers at all. CV suggested the possibility of an online coffee morning (may be one Sat) to promote Friends and gather more support from Year 7 parents/carers. To be discussed further at future meetings.</p>	