

# Minutes of meeting held 27<sup>th</sup> April 2011

## Derby Grammar School PTA

### 1. Present

T Morley, I Louch, R Paine, J Belton, J Thomas, C Collie, M. Lacey, C Bramall, C Phipps.

### 2. Apologies

A Hamilton, P Staley, J Scotcher, P Hilliam, K Bigland, J Skeates, C Bruce, K Raraoka,

Minutes of meeting 9<sup>th</sup> March accepted as a true record.

### 3. Matters Arising:

**3.1 Year Reps.** Around 100 replies have been received from the parent details forms sent out so far. For the system to work affectively we need more parent details so the parent details sheet will be sent out again asap to try and catch more.

**3.2 Changes to Constitution.** No further action.

**3.3 Calendars.** Most of the calendars have been handed out now. If there are any left they will be given out at the Old Boys Cricket Match (18<sup>th</sup> June) and on the Induction Days.

**3.4 Speed.** Mr Pain would like to thank the PTA for pushing to have the speed ramps; he feels they can only be a good thing for safety for the students. They do seem to have slowed traffic on the drive and hopefully will cut down on the amount of parents using the drive at drop off and pick up time. Total cost £744.03



**3.5 School Council.** More items have been purchased for the School Council: sixth form common room stools (5 @ £25) and stereo (£99.99), goal posts for playing fields, sun shelter for Junior school. £182.96  
Tim to meet with Mr Hilliam to look at the Summer House re plan for how the PTA could help with its restoration.

**3.6 Quiz night.** Despite a poor turnout - Congratulations and thanks to Ian and Della Louch for holding yet another great quiz! The night saw fierce but fair play by all teams. The final winning team with only a few point lead was Letsbe Avenue.

### 4 School Business

**4.1 School Web Site.** Some changes have been made to the web site, this is a constant evolving thing with School having a lot more control over what can be put on the web site and when. The PTA request that a photo of the teachers at school be posted so parents can easily recognise teachers.

Minutes of meetings will be made available again and an up to date newsletter will be posted on the PTA section. Any forms will also be made available so parents can download, fill in and return forms to the PTA e-mail address.

**4.2 Recognition Award.** The committee have agreed that the winner of this award will receive a £50 gift or book token to suit their interest plus a trophy to display their name to be kept at school and awarded yearly to a deserving pupil.

## **5. Financial Report**

Current balance as of 27 April 2011 - £7090.14

## **6. Future Events**

**6.1 Plant Sale.** The Plant sale order forms have been sent out, a reminder sheet will follow and details be put on the web site. All order forms need to be handed in by 6<sup>th</sup> May and collection of plants from school will be 20<sup>th</sup> May at 3.45pm. Please ask friends and family to give you an order for plants!!

**6.2 Summer Fete. 19<sup>th</sup> June, 12pm to 4pm.** Nine stalls have confirmed including the Bouncy Slide and Bungee with Sumo suits, Archery, Ice Cream van among others! Julie has booked the BBQ and First Aid. We are hoping to have Stocks made for the event and lots of other attractions.

**6.3 Ladies Indulgence Evening.** This event is planned for the first week in December, not yet confirmed. More details to follow.

### **6.4 Event ideas**

- Car boot sale to be looked at, considering whether or not school would want the sale on school grounds or if it should be held off site.
- Chilli night with Bangra dancers. A company in Birmingham assist in organising nights like this. Details and costs to follow.
- Celebrity Chef type event, chef from a local pub or restaurant. To be looked into.
- Wine tasting evening. To be looked into.

## **AOB**

Tim Morley has announced that after 3 years as chair of the PTA he will be stepping down at the AGM in October, there may well be other positions in the PTA to fill at the AGM so if anyone would like to get involved with making a difference for the pupils and school please come to a meeting and see what we do! If any members of the existing PTA are thinking of stepping down from position of office or would like to have their name put forward for a particular position please speak to Tim so we are prepared.

Tim has also pre-warned he will not be available to help with the fireworks this year as he is away that weekend, he will however be able to help with purchasing the fireworks for the event.

**Meeting closed at 8.50pm.**

**Next meeting to be held 11<sup>th</sup> May.**