

FOSS AGM Minutes
Thursday 10th November 2016

Attending:

Lisa Neale (Chair), Matthew Brookes, Beverley Robinson, Kate Bullimore, Chloe Parkes, Laura Sanders, Mrs. Waring and Sarah Cox (Treasurer and acting Secretary).

Apologies:

Katie Farrar, Nina Rogers-Moore, Kirsty Black, Penny Clemons, Elaine Tomkinson, Julie Dalby, Tracy and Nikki Clark.

Minutes of the last meeting:

Minutes were agreed as a true account of events.

Matters Arising

Formal notice should be given if people wish to leave the committee.

Chairpersons Report

Firstly I would like to thank the committee for their continued support. Kate, Katie and Bev must have served hundreds of cups of tea and coffee over the year, Nina and her husband for all the support before the summer fun day and Penny for always being there to help not just from a church side. I must say a special thank you to Sarah Cox who has supported me as Chairman and her husband Andy for all his hard work at the Fun Day again this year.

We have successfully supported the school with buses to Little Dalby, Leicester and Panto. Plus donations to the Christmas Party and towards the Yr. 6 London Trip. We should again be proud of this achievement.

It has however been a hard year, as there are only a few of us and I would love to see more support from other parents in the future. All money we raise benefits all of the children in the school and it would be nice to see more involvement. The fun day in particular this year didn't raise the money that represented the enormous amount of effort that was put in by just the few, and sadly this seems to repeat each year, we simply must find a better way to get additional support and perhaps bring fresh ideas and enthusiasm to raising funds. We desperately need to double the size of our team, so let's please find 5 or 6 new faces to come and join us, after all its YOUR children that benefit.

We have had a number of fundraising events this year, with the main income still coming from the Cake Raffle and the 100 Club. We have also had the fun day, bingo, beetle drive, bag sale, raffles and refreshments. We need fresh ideas for 2017. It is hoped that the cake raffle and 100 club will carry on (thank you Sarah). The bingo will no longer take place sadly as Janet has to give up due to health, and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank this incredible Lady for all the years of hard work she has put into our community.

I hope the coming year will see many new members and FOSS continuing to succeed, it would be such a shame if FOSS had to come to an end due to lack of support, this has happened recently at another small village school.

Treasurers Report

FOSS has had a steady fundraising year; the cake raffle continues to be the main stay of the years fundraising activities; topping £1,000, which is a lot of 20p tickets. The 100 Club is a slight disappointment, as only 45 numbers have been taken this year; however this still contributes £45 per month to FOSS funds. The balance in this account is growing, currently standing at £2,336.38 with £270 still to pay out in monthly winnings.

Last year FOSS subsidised the whole school theatre trip by £1,000, approximately £15 per pupil. FOSS also continued to provide the buses for the Little Dalby trips, and trips to Leicester for Base 3. We also provided £20 per pupil for the year 6 final trip, and most importantly of all FOSS provided the food for the Christmas party.

The bank account is looking healthy with a balance of £7,150.64, slightly higher than we started the year. Already we have committed to paying for the theatre trip for the whole school for this coming year, the buses for Little Dalby and Leicester, and we have looked at the possibility of some first aid training with St John's Ambulance.

Election of Officers

Chairman: Lisa Neale	Proposed Sarah Cox	Seconded Beverley Robinson
Vice Chair: Kate Bullimore	Proposed Lisa Neale	Seconded Beverley Robinson
Treasurer: Sarah Cox	Proposed Mrs. Waring	Seconded Matthew Brookes
Secretary: Matthew & Kaye Brookes	Proposed Sarah Cox	Seconded Lisa Neale

Committee Members: Beverley Robinson, Chloe Parkes, Laura Sanders, Mrs. Waring, Nina Rogers-Moore, Nikki Clark, Katie Farrar, Penny Clemons, Tracy and Kirsty Black.

Meeting concluded at 19.50. A committee meeting followed.