



Dean Park Primary School

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Registered Scottish Charity No.24582

Minutes of PTA Meeting 10th November 2015

PTA Members Present

Brent Hurley (BH) – Chair, Wendy Zwart (WZ) - Vice Chair, Silvia Martocchi (SM) – Treasurer, *VACANCY – Secretary*

Vicky Smith (VA), Ailey Aitken (AA), Clare Dow (CD), Charlotte Flemming (CF), Paulina Grabowska (PG), Dawn Graham (DG), Sarah Harris (SH), Elaine MacMaster (EM), Rehana Shanks (RS), Nikki Watt (NW) & Johan Nolan

Apologies

Katarina Lauder (KL)

Actions

- General action pertaining to one or two individuals
- Action for Rehana Shanks
- Requires all PTA members to consider

1. Welcome and Apologies

BH welcomed all those present and made apologies for those unable to attend. A special welcome is for our two new members Paulina and Joanna.

2. Minutes and Actions from previous meeting

FUN RUN

CD has a list of participants so VA can take care of the house tokens.

RH will take care of a wooden plaque with thanks to Scott Irvine for kindly donating the bowls to hold the tokens.

A house day will take place in January.

3. Treasurer's Report

Balance on PTA Account is currently £ 41,667.82

Balance on the Gift Aid bank account is £ 12,488.39

TOTAL: £ 54,157.21

About £40,144 will be kept aside to pay for:

- The field drainage: **£ 25,000**
- Clubs: coach fees, lets and funding request: **£ 4,309** (this includes the £ 709.22 funding request for the football club)
- Jass folders: **£ 835**
- Light and sound system: **£ 10,000**

This leads us to a **NET BALANCE** (PTA & Gift Aid) of **£ 14,013.21**.

4. Funding requests

LIGHT & SOUND SYSTEM: quote from AVMI is £ 7,998.



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BIKE SHEDS: the quote is £ 10,500, there is a grant of £ 5,250, the PTA will cover the leftover £ 5,250. A scooter rack will be placed at the nursery and a scooter/bike at the primary school.

5. Projects

FIELD

The survey is done. Children and family department is happy to proceed. CF needs to pin down a specific consent from the council.

The work needs to start June 2016. CF will ask Gavin.

FORT

SH will take the lead and talk to the children and Scott Play about ideas.

Ideas: clay ovens, outdoor classroom, covered

The PTA will cover £ 7,500, this amount can be topped up with grants.

6. Fund raisers

Net income from fundraisers 2015 (2014)

	2015	2014
Autumn Fayre	£ 3,45.00	£ 3,162.30
Christmas cards	£ 800.23	£ 974.21
Fun Run	£ 1,490	£ 1,928.55

WAFFLE STALL

We need a public liability insurance. DG to check whether our insurance covers us.

CD will take the lead in organising, everyone who is available, please help.

7. New PTA members

We are very happy with our new members, but would like to have more helping hands. Parents don't necessarily have to become a PTA member, but helping with tasks like a stall at the Autumn Fayre, baking waffles at the Christmas Fayre, volunteering at the Fun Run, being a club-co-ordinator etc.

The PTA will be present at the parents evening. WZ will make 'PTA-wall' with photos and tasks of the PTA.

Members will talk to parents.

Slots:

Wednesday 25th Nov 5.30-8.50pm (especially break 6.40-7.00pm)

Thursday 26th Nov 3.25-5.45pm

All to tell Brent who can help at what slot.

An informal social event will be organised to gather people and talk about volunteering for the school/PTA. WZ will contact the church office for the Ogston Hall, 5th February.

8. Club Updates

The new proposed clubs look nice, but we don't want to add new clubs now we are looking for new members. First we have to secure all other positions.

The knitting looks quite expensive and the hall might not be available when the clubs are proposed.



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9. Head Teacher's Report

- Dean Park has been accredited with 2nd level rights respected school. Huge thanks to all involved, especially Roslyn Campbell.
- Flushed for Success is almost finished, toilet blocks will be refurbished, huge thanks to Claire Thompson.
- Huge thanks to all parents who help in and around school!
- Kathryn Wright is our new deputy head.
- The PC will contact the council for a catchment review.
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10. Thrift Shop Report

We have more clothes than we can sell, so we will donate some clothes to children in need.

11. Matters arising

NURSERY LINK

A new nursery link is needed because Sonja Ransom left the PTA. Ailey Aitken is happy to take over. Thanks!

Next meeting: Tuesday 8th December

All meetings take place at the clinic or staff room at Dean Park Primary School, 7.00-9.00pm