

JULIANS SCHOOL PTFA AGM (Virtual via zoom)

Tuesday 1st December 2020, 8pm

Minutes

Attendees: Chereiss Wilson (Chair), Natalie Newman (treasurer), Tyrie Ouin (co-secretary), Melanie Lucking (Committee member), Sally Rickard (committee member), Olivia Foxton (Deputy Head School), Golea Alexandru, , Noemi Santoruvo, Cathesha Anderson, Dana Kalder, Thomas Levine, Charles Dowuona, Camilla Young, Claire Hopkins, Oscar Vu, Alexandru Golea, Carolyn Southall, Cynthia Dowuona, Adama Njie, Su Giles, Caroline Sawle, Moniqua Marouns, Anita Hawes, Rashid Miles, Genevieve Greer, Dacia, Ervina Halili, Moniqua Chantelle, Anthony Llumitaxi, Carla Hallmark Jones, Yasmin, Victoria Abrahams.

Apologies: Carmel Dillon (secretary), Kaleigh Seymour (committee member)

Introduction

Chereiss welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. It was noted there was a greater turnout than at previous AGM's hopefully a result of more interest in the PTFA but perhaps also due to it being more convenient for people to attend on zoom from their own homes. Going forward into 2020/21 the PTFA committee remain committed to encouraging as many members of the wider Julian's community to get involved with the PTFA in any way they can.

Chereiss gave a recap of the year 2019-20, thanking all involved in the committee and the wider PTFA community for all their help and support in organising events and raising money for the school.

Special thanks were given to those in the extended committee beyond the roles of Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Sally for the great bake sales, Mel for her work with sustainability, Carolyn and (??) for the weekly coffee mornings which are sponsored by Volcano Coffee, Blackbird bakery and Caffè Buongiorno, Tim Johnson for the PTFA posters and amazing graphic design work, Jess Davis all her work with social media, Kaleigh who took on the admin for events, Tom Levine and Sarah Harris for the amazing Cabaret evening, the numerous class reps for getting information out to the wider school community, Olivia, Andy, Gwen and the school facilities team for all their brilliant support. Finally many thanks were given to all those who have attended or taken part in any event - every little thing helps and it is all valued whatever you can give.

Chereiss noted that it has been a funny year but prior to lockdown in March the main events the PTFA put on were:

- The Halloween and Valentines cake sales,
- Christmas fair,
- school discos,
- Christmas pantomimes (in school),
- movie night for year 6 children,
- Cabaret event
- Regular Friday coffee mornings and uniform sales
- And money continues to be raised through easy fundraising and amazon smile

Tom Levine talked about his experience of organising the cabaret evening. He encouraged others who had ideas to approach the PTFA as they were hugely supportive and it was a fun experience that raised a lot of money.

Treasurers Report 2019/20

Natalie went over the Treasurers report (see attached) covering funds raised and what was spent. The current balance stands at £28,829.99. It was noted that the summer fair was not able to take place this year and as this is the main fundraising event for the PTFA. This year the PTFA have committed funds towards...

- School football team
- Workshops for all year groups (as children are not able to go out on school trips)
- Purchasing diverse texts for all year groups
- Digital curriculum aids
- Resurfacing the grass at both West Norwood and Streatham sites.

The PTFA are aiming to get a quiz night in for parents, carers and staff and instead of discos for the children film nights within their year group bubbles have been proposed as an alternative.

Questions/ AOB

Carolyn congratulated the PTFA on the healthy bank balance. She supported the idea of a quiz and suggested Kahoot! as a means to facilitate it. Chereiss assured her that it was on the agenda for next term details to be confirmed.

Rashid – asked about the diverse texts and what they will include and asked about how the school celebrated black history month as there hadn't been any feedback on this. Olivia reported that the will aim to include a wide range of authors and subjects to explore and support diversity within our school and the wider community. With regards to black history month she reported that the children are doing a piece of work based on the artist Yinka Shonibare. In addition Chereiss mentioned the possibility of developing a PTFA cook book with entries from children, parents and carers and staff to reflect the diversity within our own school community.

Voting Committee 2020/21

Treasurer – Natalie Newman and Secretary Carmel Dillon and Co-secretary Tyrie Ouin stated they were stepping down from their roles. Chereiss, as Chair, reported that she would stand down if a replacement could be found but if not would continue if she could find someone to share the role with. It was stressed that in order for the PTFA to continue to function a person needed to be elected to each of the 3 posts; Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.

The Julian's PTFA Committee 2020/21 were voted in as follows:

- Chair – Chereiss (West Norwood) Co-Chair Victoria Abrahams (Streatham) Co-Chair Linda Hudson (West Norwood)
- Treasurer – Dana Kalder
- Secretary – Cathesha Anderson

With regards to wider roles Anita Hawes offered to help with graphic design.

The meeting was brought to a close the new Committee members were congratulated and welcomed and everyone was thanked for giving their time.

*After the meeting a Linda Hudson; who had a shown an interest in becoming a member of the committee prior to the AGM, got in contact with the PTFA sending her apologies for not being able to make the meeting but still showing a keen interest and was subsequently nominated as Co-chair for the West Norwood site.