

LAUGHTON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

18 April 2018 | At school | 8.45am

Minutes of the meeting

Present

Alistair Parsons	Vice Chair
Jo-Ann Shettle	Treasurer
Corina Buckwell	Secretary (Joint)
Nicky Anstiss	Catering Co-ordinator
Sara McGowan	
Jane Alford	
Warwick Bilton	
Ali Dale	
Abhijeeta Saraswati	
Ellen Thomas	
Ruth Lilley	
Sarah Shaw	

Apologies

Stefan Vassall	Secretary (Joint)
Rachel West	Head Teacher
Rachel Allison	
Gemma Burleton	
Rachael Collins	
Holly Hallam	
Mikki Sidebottom	
Rachel Walton	
Natalie Boyd	
Liz Fradd-Gilbert	
Margaux Allfrey	
Michelle Aloof	
Jeanette Simpson	
Lynne Rule-Peters	
Jess Lawrence	

Secretaries Report

Minutes checked and agreed. No points raised. Minutes agreed and signed by AP

It is becoming increasingly important to fill some of the roles that will be left vacant next year, in particular Chair and Vice-Chair, and another Secretary (if it continues to be a shared role). This was discussed again.

Action – Could RW please include this in the next Newsletter please?

Events Report

Mother's Day Shop

All thanks to Lynne for this successful event. It went really well and raised a record total. JoAnn said that there has generally been improved results across all our events this year.

Easter Mayhem

Allistair said that there was slightly more mayhem than usual because the weather kept us indoors, but he thanked the helpers and Class Reps

Action - Next time could there be a simplified format of the quiz/hunt for the smaller children as they couldn't all identify the birds in the pictures. Number them too maybe?

Treasurer's Report

Jo Shettle said that we have "Lots of money!" and

"Please make sure I receive all receipts as soon as possible so I can refund your money. Thank you."

As at 17/04/17

Balance in Main Account	£4,155.86
Balance in Events Account	£3,164.58
Balance in Uniform Account	£416.75
Balance in Savings Account	£1,869.16
Petty Cash/Float	£108.84

Income:

Easter Mayhem	£378.08 (last year £396 minus expenses)
Mothers Day Shop	£211 (last year £180)
Uniform	£75

Expenditure:

Event expenses

Monies to go out

- Books and maths resources £600
- Event expenses – License for LGT £22
- PATINA - £200 sub (to be reimbursed by year 5/6 fundraising – excess to be put towards next years event)
- PATINA – cost of T-shirts (TBC)
- Sensory Garden – up to £100

PATINA - Miss Mandy had requested a £200 loan for the entry costs, after which the Yr6 will fundraise for themselves and repay the LSA, post-SATS.

Action – The members agreed the loan, plus the £50 donation already agreed and to pay for a t-shirt for each child taking part. Any extra money raised by the Yr6s will be rolled-over for the next year group to use towards their PATINA entry.

Headteacher's Report

In her absence Allistair read out a message from RW;
Thank you to everyone for Easter Mayhem

Mathletics – RW requested that the LSA considers paying the £500 for the annual subscription to the Mathletics programme, she considers it an excellent resource.

There was a general discussion about when the programme is used; Is it in school? At home? How many families actually use it? And how much screen time is allowed in school generally.

Action – The members asked for more information about this item before a decision can be made

Forthcoming Events

Laughton's Got Talent - Saturday 28th April

RL said that it was now full steam ahead. Buy tickets from the office quickly as there is limited capacity in the village hall. She also warned that it might be the last LGT that she runs.

Helpers still needed; 2 more for the evening 5pm onwards (12 in total). Volunteer to Ruth Bar – Allistair heading up inc; glasses, drink and helpers. Nicky has organised the licence.

Snacks – Nicky is heading this up, with Jane and one other person tbc

Hamper Raffle – Corina organising a produce hamper. Offers included chutney from Ali D, cake from Abejeta and bread from Allistair

Plant Sale – 4th May – 3pm

Corina heading this up with lots of offers of help; Sara, Rachel A, Margaux, Michelle H and asked everyone to start saving plants to sell. If it turns out to be too early for some of the plants we can decide whether to hold a second sale. All leftover plants to be offered to school.

Summer Bake Sales

Dates to be discussed with RW, hopefully to be spread throughout the summer terms (NB now agreed, see cover email). There was a general discussion about what to offer for sale, bearing in mind the healthy eating campaign; savouries, healthy snacks, whatever. It was suggested that the individual classes could decide for themselves.

Father's Day Shop – to be scheduled before June 17th, dates to be confirmed with RW

Tea Urn – Corina booked to use the urn for Artwave this year, £10 donation agreed

Action – Corina to sign-out the urn on the last day of term

Sensory Garden / Hanging Baskets

Sara asked if she could have some money to buy new plants for the garden and baskets.

Vote – Up to £100 voted and agreed

AOB

Woz came with a long list of new fund-raising ideas to share and discuss;

- Skills Auction – for example painter decorating, massueurs, hair styling, sports coaching
- Bring and Buy Sales or an LSA EBAY page
- Sports Event, Holly and Charlotte had also suggested something along these lines, perhaps Family Rounders or similar. They are planning on attending the next LSA meeting to discuss too.
- Story Night, as well as a Film Night perhaps?
- Sponsored Book Read over the holidays
- Activities that promote healthy eating and exercise
- Cookathon - Nicky said that she had often thought we should do something like this. Perhaps a Kid's Restaurant Night, where they cook and serve the food
- Family BBQ, perhaps after Sports Day?

Action – Corina to put on agenda for next time

Date of next meeting – After drop-off (8.45am) on Friday 15th June

Meeting finished at 9.40am