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# **AESA Annual General Meeting Minutes**

24/01/2023

Meeting Attendees: Jen Barnett, Jag Chatha, Nikki Chatha, Cate Everett, Georgina McLaren, Jenny Morgan, Stephanie Nichols

#### **Welcome – Chair**

Nikki opened meeting and introduced herself as Chair of the AESA Committee and also as a Governor of the school. Brief mention of AESA Constitution that was last updated in 2014 and needs amending.

#### **Headteachers Welcome**

Mrs Nichols read a letter composed by herself and Mrs Gee on behalf of the school. They thanked the AESA for its efforts in continuing to raise funds for school programs through refreshment sales, guiz nights, Adventure Island tickets, and gift stalls. They hope to have a continued partnership with the AESA and a closer relationship going forward.

Mrs Nichols briefly discussed Mrs Peeter's bid request for £3,000 to support the school's reading strategy. The initiative focuses on reading fluency and competency for pupils along with literacy development. Part of this initiative is called Thinking Reading and is aimed at KS3 pupils currently in the bottom 30% of readers. Additionally, a portion of funding will enhance the school library collection, the Reflection Room will receive additional resources, and the school will subscribe to Twinkl which is an online educational resource to support pupils for whom English is an additional language.

The bid was unanimously approved.

Mrs Nichols shared the Headteacher's wish that with ongoing fundraising the AESA might be able to support the upgrade of certain facilities on site.

# **Figures 2021-22**

Jag's review of figures reflected how AESA fundraising changed since covid. The most profitable month in the 2021-22 school year was December 2021 when the committee was able to hold fundraising stalls outdoors. Two quiz nights were cancelled due to low interest. The total profits for the year were £3831.93.



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# **Treasurer's Report 2021-22**

Reviewed fundraising that was successful prior to covid and how the AESA can move forward to get back to previous levels.

- Adventure Island: 100 tickets held by the AESA currently and decision has to be made about buying more and how to sell/distribute tickets moving forward
- Lottery: will be rebranded and relaunched using current technology

Mrs Nichols said new staff member in charge of social media can assist with promotion of AESA events. New Anglo website also under construction with Mr Ashworth as the lead. Sixth form pupils had fundraising success at Christmas Market using QR codes so the AESA might consider doing that as well.

# Committee Posts/Roles – elected and agreed by all attendees

For 2022-23 School year:

Chair – Nikki Chatha

Vice Chair – Jenny Morgan

Treasurer – Jag Chatha

Secretary – Jennifer Barnett

Lottery – Jenny Morgan

Adventure Island – Jenny Morgan

Committee members – Cate Everett, Georgina McLaren

Teacher from school – Stephanie Nichols

# **Planned Projects 2022-23**

Spring term: Quiz night, Mother's Day stalls, Eidsteddfod refreshments

Summer term: Refreshments at evening events, Community event at Seymour Field

#### **Actions:**

- Nikki/Mrs Nichols to find out how the AESA can amend its constitution
- Mrs Nichols to see if AI tickets can be sold via ParentPay
- Based on above, Jag to contact Finance office and discuss purchase of additional AI tickets (by 31st January)
- Jen B to contact Mr Ashworth about having updated AESA page on new site
- Jen B to enquire about site availability for upcoming projects and meetings