**Minutes of the AFS Committee Meeting**

**Held on: Wednesday 11TH May 2022 - 7.00pm**

**Venue: King Edward VI Camp Hill School for Boys**

**Those in attendance were:**

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| |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Name** | **Position/Year** | **Name** | **Position/Year** | | Russell Bowen | Honorary President | Thomas Breakwell | Staff Liaison | | Kevin Cheung | Chair – Y10 | Fiona Lenton | Secretary – Y10 | | Nithya Menon | Vice Chair – Y10 | Jeanette Crutchley | School Liaison | | Jitesh Samani | Digital Officer,  Buyer – Y7 | Martin Crutchley | School Governor | | Liz Dainty | Treasurer -  Y9 + Y11 | Louise Bates | Parent – Y7 | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |

**1. Welcome / Introductions:**

The Chair welcomed everyone attending. All present introduced themselves.

**2. Apologies**

Zab Kapasi and Clare Lanham.

**3.  Review of previous Minutes and Actions**

All in attendance agreed and accepted previous minutes and actions.

**4.  Chair’s Report:**

Kevin thanked all parent volunteers and committee members that helped out at “Oliver”. Also thanked the year 10 parent who donated the scrumptious donuts which were very well received. Further thanks went to Kevin’s employer for the refreshments and to a year 7 parent for the teas and coffees.

Kevin would welcome any donations by way of drinks and refreshments to these events. All money raised will go to the boys’ extracurricular activities and bursary requests.

The Year 7 Parents social was a fantastic event and he said it was a lovely opportunity to welcome the new parents to the school. A massive thanks was given to Tom Breakwell and the Prefects who organised and assisted with the event. The treasure hunt went very well indeed and gave parents an opportunity to tour around the school. The parents were representing their boys’ houses during the treasure hunt. Tudor tied with Beaufort, followed by Howard and Seymour came fourth.

It was reported that the AFS agreed to fund the Prom Access Scheme and the Mural in Room 5 (PSHE and Careers Room).

**5.  Treasurer’s Report:**

Liz Dainty gave a financial report to those attended the meeting. Current bank balance is £13,443.00.

**6. Headmaster’s Report:**

Mr Bowen repeated his thanks for the tireless work the committee and parent volunteers give to the school. And emphasised building the wider community, involving the parent body, and giving everyone the chance to engage with the school in the way that they see fit.

Mr Bowen gave an update on school matters to the attendees noting future events:

* Year 8 Parents Social – 28th June
* Quiz Night – 1st July
* Walk To Ukraine – 5th July
* Year 6 Parents – 5th July
* Sports Day – 13th July

Mr Bowen offered his huge thanks to Jitesh for his work to the AFS web pages on the school website.

Mr Bowen reported the following:

* Curriculum: A-level Politics course will be launched. A recent survey of Year 8 students has led the school to explore new GCSEs in Economics and PE.
* Full application to the council for permission to build the all-weather pitch is submitted. It will provide first class facilities for hockey training and matches, as well as other sports and it will also provide an excellent additional recreation space for the students at lunch time and break time.
* Future Plans: The school have had the drawings in for the feasibility study for the new Camp Hill community Hub which will hopefully include more changing facilities, more dining space and more toilets. The fundraising campaign feasibility study is in progress and the school are working with Andrew Day from Gifted Philanthropy.
* Staffing: Several more staff have secured promotions in other schools – Mr Bowen reported that the school is actively recruiting for all these positions and are confident that the school will continue to attract a strong field for all these posts.
* Charity Committee: the student Charity Committee continue an ambitious plan.
  + Planned Charity ideas with dates:
    - Glasses – collection ongoing – will end by end of May
    - Beat the Beats – Wednesday 4th May
    - Food for Change first collection week beginning 25th May
    - Culture Week – Week beginning 27th June
    - Walk to Ukraine – Tuesday 5th July (contingency on Thursday 7th July)
    - Blindness Awareness – sometime in July
    - Remembering Srebrenica – organised by Mr Garrod and Ayman Azmi of Year 12; date is meant to be week beginning 11th July
    - WIH Blood Donation – planned date is 30th August 2022
  + Charity Ideas without dates
    - Swimathon – with Mr O’Malley
    - Art Gallery
    - Charity Week 2023
    - Snowdon
* Trips: Conway Centre is booked for Year 8 and 10 and the Italy trip is in progress. Skiing is booked for February 2023
* The school have signed up to SOCS which will allow the school to publish all extra-curricular clubs and societies online and also monitor attendance. And will hope to engage with students to ask them what other clubs they would like.

Mr Bowen spoke about 6th Form admissions which are going well. With the Sixth form web page “Open Days” currently online along with a new online application system.

The Year 7 admissions are in the third year of the new system. Where the previous two years the school have struggled to offer places to all “Pot 4” students, which meant a number of local boys (in catchment) who have met the “Priority Score” of 224 but failed to secure a place. The governors have approved an offer of 150 places for Year 7 boys for September 2022 and are delighted to have made offers to boys in all five pots on March 1st.

Mr Bowen concluded in saying “I want to celebrate the caring and inclusive community that we are, where everyone can do and be their best”.

**8. Up-coming events:**

Kevin requested volunteers for the upcoming events:

* Year 8 Social on 28th June
* Quiz night on 1st July
* Walk to Ukraine on 5th July
* New Year 7 induction meeting on 5th July
* Sports Day on 13th July

**9. AOB:**

Second hand uniform was discussed and Nithya has hopefully identified a volunteer to lead it.

The Art departments request of support for the camera equipment was discussed and Liz will write to some suppliers such as Jessops/Max Speilman to see if they can contribute.

The school Chronicle was discussed which costs around £5 per copy – this will need to be ordered early September. Which will be further discussed at the next meeting

The AGM date will be 14th September 2022.

**10. Date of next meeting**

Next AFS meeting 15th June 2022 @ 7pm – final meeting of the academic year.

Meeting was adjourned at 8.45pm.