

Willingham School Association (AGM)

AGM Agenda Minutes

Friday 6th September 2019 – 2.00pm

Willingham Primary School, Willingham

Attendees:

Marie Clements, Lorna Hopcroft, Katie Gilbert, David Morel, Amy Shaw, Becky Binney, Dan Lentell, Judy Merrill, Rich Merrill, Cherise De Kock, Helen Flitton, Sarah Morgan, Ellie Mansfield, Yasmin Olds, Helen Hughes, Christina Dunham, Claire Henry, Claire Bland, Ciara Brittain, Rebecca Dawson, Priti Mills, Emma Byrom, Sally Brownridge, Matt Unwin-Riches

Apologies:

Emma Bowyer

1. Minutes of last AGM and any matters arising:

Marie Clements introduced the meeting and welcomed everyone. She confirmed that the minutes of the last AGM are available on the school website. No comments or queries were raised on these from those present.

2. Chair's report for 2018/2019:

Marie Clements confirmed that it has been a very good year for the WSA, with over £16,000 raised.

She raised that the next event would be a bar and bbq event on Friday 20th September and we would be looking for helpers to support this event.

3. Treasurer's accounts summary for year ending 31st July 2019:

Lorna Hopcroft gave an update and overview of the accounts summary. A report was also shared during the meeting.

She outlined that the biggest fundraising event was the fen gallop, which raised £4600, it was extremely popular this year and the 10km event sold out. We also raised £1600 from the summer fete which has now been combined with the fen gallop.

The second biggest event was the Christmas fair, this raised £2000 which was an increase of 20% on previous years. It was held in the afternoon this year which helped with attendance.

Lorna confirmed that we have continued to receive funding from the co-op community fund. We are applying for this again but as we have received it for the past 3 years we may not be successful this time.

Future event this year will be ginuary, a beetle drive and the bingo. There will not be any disco's or film nights this year as they do not provide good value for money and require a lot of helpers.

Lorna also explained what the WSA funding has been used for and what the plans are for the future. She explained that one of the aims of the school is for all pupils to undertake the daily mile. The pupils will start next week running twice a week and although at the moment it is possible to use the field for this, it will be difficult to do this in the winter. Therefore one of the priorities of the WSA is to raise funding for an all-weather running track to allow the pupils to continue doing the daily mile throughout the year. It will cost approximately £14,000 for this, therefore it is likely to take a few years to raise.

Lorna confirmed that this year the WSA has funded:

- Fire safety radio handsets
- Athletics and time-table rockstars subscription
- A coach for the choir to attend a competition at the Royal Opera House.
- Drum kit
- Subsidy of swimming pool costs
- Sports bibs
- Storytime phonics books

A full list of expenditure is included on the accounts summary.

4. Election of Trustees:

Marie confirmed that the majority of the committee would be remaining.

- Chair: Marie Clements remained as Chair
- Vice-Chair: Emma Bowyer remained assistant Chair
- Treasurer: Lorna Hopcroft remained as Treasurer
- Assistant-Treasurer: Susan Passmore remained as Assistant-Treasurer
- Secretary: Natasha Heighes stepped down as Secretary, Amy Shaw was voted as Secretary.
- Assistant-Secretary: Becky Binney was voted as Assistant-Secretary

5. AOB

Marie confirmed that it was now school policy that all parent helpers have received school safeguarding training and completed a DBS check. It may take some time for all parents to complete these, there will be further safeguarding training held over the coming months.

The next WSA committee meeting will be held at 8pm on Monday 23rd September at the Duke of Wellington, all welcome.