Friends of Bocking

AGM Minutes 6.10.15

1. Apologies

Apologies were made from Mrs Cowland who was going to be arriving late. Thanks were given to Ms Crabb, Mrs Smith, Sarah Broome, Lisa Baxter, Vicky Dudman, Ed Duncombe, Kelly Jansen, Emily Arnott, Andy Galley, Sarah King, Allyson Richards, Carole Wiffen and Nicola Morgan for attending.

2. Minutes from the last meeting

No issues were raised from the last minutes.

3. Chairperson's Report

Written and read by Andy Galley. (Attached to minutes)

4. Treasurer's Report

Written and read by Sarah King. (Attached to minutes)

5. Head teacher requests

Ms Crabb firstly gave her thanks for all who attended and have given their time to help Bocking Primary School, she has been very pleased so far with the figures and amounts raised over the past year. Ms Crabb then went on and asked for the following requests to be considered for funding:

- Subscription to sing up.
- Cooking equipment in the kitchen for the sunshine room.
- E-readers for the library.
- Flip charts.
- Chicken coop.
- Large Meccano.
- Outdoor PA system.
- Water fountain.
- Canvas' for the hall and corridors of the children to decorate the areas.

It was agreed that the committee would discuss these requests further and Ms Crabb would look into costings for some of these items and report back to the committee.

Ms Crabb informed us that Oakwood is up and running and already being used by the children, so there have been no further issues here.

6. Questions from floor

Mrs Cowland asked why 'Twinkle' had not been requested among the items, as previously discussed at the staff meeting. Ms Crabb explained that it was a lot of money for what it was and that she didn't want the school to be 'twinkle-fied', therefore it was left out of the requests from the 'Friends'.

Carole asked if the school had enough i-pads. Mrs Smith explained there are plenty for each class to use and that each class has the opportunity to use them one at a time. It was agreed that better

planning from teachers would ensure children had the correct usage of them.

Lisa asked Ms Crabb if the school was looking into changing the webpage as previously discussed with the committee. Ms Crabb explained the school would be providing the new web site and it is in the pipeline, this would include a page for the 'friends' and she will liase with appropriate people as soon as its available. Until then we should pass any information onto her and not Geoff as previously.

Ms Crabb put forward an idea of having 'Carols by candlelight' which would mainly be a year 5 enterprise, selling mulled wine and mince pies, with the choir providing the carols in the playground. The date put forward was Tuesday 15th December 4.30-5.30pm. All agreed this would be a lovely idea.

Lisa explained more about the Boydens boards competition for the Christmas Bazaar and read out an email she had received in regards to children's names not being used on the boards. It was agreed however if the parents of the final winning entry gave permission, the local press could be contacted and do a piece on this story. If not then they can just put a piece in the paper without pictures and names. It was felt if the children are entering then parental permission has surely been given anyway?

7. Election of officers

Everyone will be staying in their current positions for another year. Nicola stepped down from second hand uniform and Sarah.B kindly agreed to take this on. Nicola will liase with Sarah in handing the equipment over (including tagging gun!!)

AOB

None