

## Friends of Lealholm School

### Minutes of Annual General Meeting 22 September 2015

Meeting opened 19:30

#### Present:

Jill Kelly, Helen Ward, Gilly Perry, Marie. Thompson, Andrea Simpson, Jane Wright, Jane Adamski, Julie Mead, Sophie Wilson, Mrs. Welford

#### Apologies:

Natalie Schofield, Marion Matthews, L Shaw

**1) Minutes of the meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> April 2015** were read and agreed.

Matters arising:

- Bag pack – very good fund raiser for minimal effort, possibly arrange again this year.
- Willow tunnel- is now under control thanks to a fantastic team effort. A further tidy up session needs to take place in the next month or so to keep it in check for Winter.
- Field lock – no further problems

**2) Treasurer's Report** 2014 -2015 Treasurer's Report was read by Marie. Report to be distributed. Mrs. Ward expressed appreciation on behalf of School for the money raising activities arranged by parents. This extra money provides extra opportunities for trips and activities to take place that otherwise would not be possible.

#### **3) Election of Officers**

**Chair** – Jill Kelly (1<sup>st</sup> Gilly Perry, 2<sup>nd</sup> Andrea Simpson)

**Vice Chair** - Andrea Simpson (1<sup>st</sup> Jane Wright 2<sup>nd</sup> Cath Welford)

**Treasurer** - Marie Thompson (1<sup>st</sup> Andrea Simpson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Helen Ward)

**Secretary** – Gilly Perry/Tanya Clark (1<sup>st</sup> Jane Adamski, 2<sup>nd</sup> Julie Mead)

#### **4) Fund raising ideas**

- **Harvest Supper** – an old farming tradition, held traditionally in a barn. More research to be done/locations to be considered
- **Crafts& Canapés** – To take place provisionally 19:00 – 22:00 Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November. A chance to buy some locally produced crafts in time for Christmas. Stall holders to pay a table charge. Entrance fee to be agreed. Mrs. Ward to contact the candle lady. Sophie to ask other stall holders if they have any availability. Gilly to book Ley Hall. Jane W to check regulations re: alcohol.
- **Coffee Morning** – Ley Hall some time during Spring to maximise tourist footfall. Tombola.
- **Burns Night** – will be doing again this year at Glaisdale Institute. Jill to confirm date with the band.
- **Big Night In** - £10/£15 per head into a kitty, bring nibbles/drinks etc. Forrester's Lodge suggested as the location.

- **Walking Safari Supper** – around Fryup. Andrea to speak to Wykeham Estate re; use of Forresters, Sophie to investigate potential of another Fryup venue.

**6) Bingo.** Halloween themed bingo night 18:00 Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. Pumpkins to be brought in to school to be judged.

**7) 100 Club.** The next draw will be at the Autumn Sale. Ninety nine numbers sold. Thanks to Jane and Gilly for their efforts. A letter will be sent out reminding 100 Club members to renew their number for the following year, should they chose to do so.

**8) School Business** – Mrs. Ward advised FOLS that some parents had questioned why school have not organised events for Red Nose Day/Sports Relief/Children in Need. School generally supports three or more charities from home and abroad per academic year. The children have school assemblies about the charities to ensure they have an appreciation of why the money is needed and what it is used for. Mrs. Ward advised that if FOLS/parents want to run an event then school will support by arranging an appropriate assembly to raise awareness with the children, but FOLS/parents would need to organise and man the event. Please liaise with school if you would like to discuss any ideas.

**9) Any Other Business**

- Pen friends – Julie M suggested to school that she would like to set up pen friends, helping to promote children’s handwriting. Further discussion to take place.
- School coats – Mrs. Ward asked if parents would be interested in having school coats. Hoodies for sports event were thought to be a good idea,
- Christmas Cards (Cauliflower Cards) were asked about – think the date has already passed – to be confirmed.
- Christmas Hamper Packing –Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December, time to be confirmed. All support welcomed.
- FOLS Christmas Meal – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Time and venue to be confirmed.
- Date of next FOLS meeting: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2015.

Meeting closed 21:20

**YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING:**

**Castleton and Glaisdale school have organised the following events:**

Fri 23 Oct - Halloween Disco, Robinson Institute, 6 to 8.30 pm

Wed 28 Oct - Halloween Spooky Tales Workshop, Robinson Institute, 10 am to 3 pm.

Sat 12 Dec - ‘The Ugly Duckling’, Northumberland Theatre Co., at Robinson Institute, doors open 6pm, finish 8.30 pm. For all the Family. Profits to Glaisdale school. Tickets £6 children, £9 adults, £25 family (2 adults & 2 children or 1 adult & 3 children): phone Nicola (01947 897945).