

MINUTES OF BWSPA MEETING HELD ON

Thursday 16th March 2017

Agenda	Present:			
No	Andrew Cutler (AC), Wijendra Peiris (WP), Jo Woods (JW), Penny Calvert (PC), Nicolette			
	Beardsmore (NB), Tamara Etherington, Lucy Schofield (LS), Nikki Miles (NM)			
	Stuart Smallwood (SS – Headmaster & President)			
1	Welcome:			
	AC welcomed everyone to the meeting.			
2	Apologies:			
	Steve Taylor & Duygu Riley			
3	School Update			
	SS provided an update on the National Funding Formula (NFF), and how it will affect BWS.	ALL		
	He urged all parents to read and act upon the NATIONAL FUNDING FORMULA - A CRITICAL			
	CONSULTATION email sent out, containing links to the Schools NNF – Stage 2 website			
	(Where you can complete an on-line survey) and to a document by the Grammar School			
	Heads' Association which provides areas to highlight in your input for the survey. NB This			
	clearly states it is best to use your own words where possible as less weighting is given to			
	standard responses. The DEADLINE for responding to the survey is 22 nd March 2017.			
	The consultation is complicated, and the news is not good, but not any worse. SS has a			
	meeting with the School Governors next week to discuss.			
	New building is looking good, rooms are looking big and completion is still expected by mid			
	May.			
	The Twickenham event is very popular, 12 coaches and minibuses will help transport pupils			
	& staff from SP1 to TW2! There is a generally good feeling in the school. Those who would			
	also like to attend are advised that there is no requirement to purchase tickets as this is a			
	schools event, but you may wish to pre-book parking.			
	Stephanie Atwood-Swann has recently joined the school as the BWS Alumni Development			
	& Events Manager and will be working on networking, establishing relationships, social	PC		
	media and setting up events and a Foundation. PC stated her grammar school had a very			
	successful Alumni & she would be happy to pass on their details if SAS would like to get in			
	touch. The school is using LinkedIn and the Headmaster's blog is getting over 1000 hits per			
	week. JW will advise SAS of the BWSPA Meeting dates	JW		
4	Treasurer Update			
	WP stated that the accounts have been signed off for the last month, and that there has			
	been little activity since the last meeting.			
	Action from previous minutes: WP to put last 3 years income/expense/profit figures	WP		
	together for comparison.			
5	Minutes of Last Meeting on 9 th February			
	Action from previous minutes: To be brought forward			
6	Mother's & Sons' Evening			
	TE advised that 30 pairs of tickets have been sold, with 20 left. The food is all sorted with	TE/NM/WP		
	Terry and the Judo coach is organised. A sound system is required for the Quiz in the			
	dining room and NM agreed to talk to Andrew White re the school's PA system. It was			
	agreed there wouldn't be a bar, but soft drinks will be available. WP agreed to investigate			
	Bookers vs Aldi/Lidl re which is most cost effective once TE has confirmed what will be			
	required.			
	PC the advertise again on FB and encouraged all to share. NM to send out a reminder via	PC/NM		
	Scopay.			
	Class reps to be encouraged to send out the information to their own parents, which could	MN		
	be a good way for them to continue developing their relationship.			
7	Founders Day Update			
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	& plan well. Lots of discussion re what we could think about/ advertising/ getting boys involved			
	and all in a timely manner.			
	NM to send JW a document on 'Founders Day'.	NM		
	Alistair Endersby is the contact for 6 th Form Prefects			
	NM to invite new year 7s and their families.			
	Agreed to set up a Founders Day Working Group: WP, TE, LS, NM, PC and JW to meet at			
	TE's house at 4pm on Sunday 2nd April to discuss ideas in more detail, with reports to the	NM, PC &		
	main BWSPA Committee.	JW		
	 TE advised she was going to review the BWSPA Cupboard on 4th April 	TE		
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	 PC to continue working on updating the BWSPA pages on the school website. 	PC		
	 Action from previous minutes: PC to confirm ST & MN put forward as Admin on Facebook 			
	along with Penny.			
	 PC to review who (if anyone) is receiving BWSPA email with Andrew White, as an email is 	PC		
	required if we are to set up a Twitter Account.			
	1000 Club Leaflet not reviewed as yet due to uncertain future.			
	All those present (except SS and PC who left the meeting early) agreed that it would be	JW, PC		
	good value for money to purchase 2 BWSPA Pop Up Banners for £64. JW to advise PC.			
9	Class Rep Update			
	MN not present, so no update available.			
10	School Shop			
	Action from previous minutes: JM to forward shop contact details to JW to make contact	JW/JW		
	to find out more.			
	Action from previous minutes: ST to investigate if there might be any Business Studies	JM,ST		
	students who might be interested in becoming involved with the school shop.			
11	Future Events/ Meeting:			
	 BWSPA Quiz team for Rugby Tour Fundraising Quiz night, 25th March: 5 members so far, 	JW/PC		
	with 3 spaces available. JW to send out further email, PC to advertise via FB.			
	New Parents Evening, Thursday 8 th June: Discussion to distribute Smarties tubes to			
	parents for filling with 20p's as this has raised money previously, but not so much in 2016			
	due perhaps to a lack of communication in September when the boys started at school. ST,	ALL		
	AC, WP and JW have stated they can attend, but others also required to help distribute			
	Smarties tubes, serve refreshments in the Sixth Form Common Room and chat with			
	parents. Anyone else available should please contact JW (<u>Joanna.woods@live.co.uk</u>).			
	Rain & Shine Production, Saturday 10 th June: AC advised that ST wanted to discuss the			
	publicity courier delivery address and also the ticket sales phone number/email – which			
	have both previously been Sue Malone-Crossman's – so they need updating. Discussion re	JW		
	flyers/posters – Sue has previously advised we don't need 2,000 flyers, as there are always	300		
	loads left over. But posters are really useful & she photocopied more last year in an attempt to publicise and increase sales. Perhaps we can negotiate a lot less flyers (250			
	max) and more Posters as it seems a shame to have lots of flyers left over and there was			
	not a great appetite to distribute them! JW to contact Sue for further information.			
	Summer Draw: Not discussed			
	Founders Day, Saturday 8 th July: Discussed as above			
	• Year 7 Skittles Evenings x5, Sept/Oct: WP stated that it is important that the dates are			
	booked early with the pub and will look into booking similar dates as previously (with one			
	addition) so we are able to get the new 6 th Form Prefects onboard. To advise of dates in			
	due course.			
	Date of future BWSPA meeting:			
	Next BWSPA Meeting to be held at 7:30pm on Thursday 27 th April 2017. Request for NM	NM		
	to book the sixth form common room.			
5	AOB			
-	1000 Club Membership & Easy Fundraising:			
	PC provided an update that JO is unfortunately no longer able to carry on single handily			
	running the 1000 Club.	PC/JO		
	Discussed that we need a detailed Job Specification from JO to understand the			
	commitment required before we can advertise the role via Facebook & Scopay.	WP		
	Action from previous minutes: WP stated Phil Henderson & Jenny Sweetenham set up			
	Easy Fundraising and that he would request their details and pass to JW.			
	ASANA: It was discussed that further training was required.	<u> </u>		

	There being no further business, the mee	eting ended.						
Approved by the BWSPA on:								
Date:	and signed by	Chairperson						