

# Bramcote College PTA AGM Agenda

Thursday 3rd October 2019

Present: Elizabeth Driver (Sned – chair); Melissa Perry-Slack (deputy chair); Gareth Roberts (treasurer); Nicola Royan (secretary); Cathy Peacock (Chair of governors); Jo Cooper (deputy head of College); Anna Loveluck; Maya Holland; Treeza Adams; Pauline Miles; Dawn Crouch

Apologies: Jo Scari; Daniel and Charlotte Williams

## **1. Chair's report**

Sned welcomed everyone to the meeting, and provided a report of the PTA's aims and objectives, its activities and achievements in 2018/19, and the activities to be undertaken in 2019/20.

The PTA aims to raise £2000-£3000 per year in support of the school and its students. It supports projects intended to benefit as large a proportion of the student body as possible, through the organisation and support of social and extra-curricular events, and through the purchase of specialist equipment.

In 2018/2019, the PTA organised: the Christmas card competition; the Christmas disco for Year 7-9; a chocolate Easter Egg tombola; and a fashion show. It

also supported the now-annual school show, *Annie*, *Bramcote's Got Talent* show, and Sports Day.

With monies raised, the PTA bought video cameras, transposing software, tablets, gardening supplies and table tennis tables, and contributed to netball dresses. It is about to undertake its largest purchase to date, of 5 picnic tables, enough to allow outdoor teaching as well as sitting space at break and lunchtime.

## **2. Plans for 19/20**

Bramcote's Got Talent – will be moved until after Christmas (February/March) to allow for more preparation

Easter Egg tombola – Tuesday 29 March 2020

School production: *Wizard of Oz*: Refreshments and support, 24/25/26 March

Fashion show – Risley Fashion House recommend holding in October/November 2020

Dawn Crouch joined the meeting to discuss plans for the Christmas party 2019. In order to increase the number of students in Y7 and Y8 attending, it was agreed that the party should be held in school time and immediately after, from 2-4 on Thursday 19 December. DC had

already provisionally booked a DJ for this time. It was further agreed that:

- **The following would be organised by DC and the School:**
- For students attending, it would be a non-uniform day in return for £2 to attend the party;
- The party would be extended to attend Y9;
- Student leaders in Y10 and Y 11 would chaperone the party and help prepare it, in return for some financial contribution to the Y11 prom;
- Other students in Y10 and Y11 would be able to attend film showings in another room, to make the day a festive end to term.
  
- **The following would be organised by the PTA:**
- Chocolate/selection box tombola
- Sweet stall
- Drinks stall

### **3. Christmas card competition**

Melissa reported that the competition was well underway, that submissions had been set as homework for several year

groups, and that a small amount of money would be needed for the prizes. Sned explained that the overall winner's design would be used as the school's official Christmas card. Jo reported that a large number of designs had already been submitted.

#### **4. Financial report.**

Gareth reported that the total donations from the PTA in 18/19 reached £2300. He was in the process of transferring the accounts into his management and arranging new signatories, since both Cathy (treasurer) and Clare Williams (deputy treasurer) had stepped down for those roles. He also noted that the PTA needed new trustees: Jo Cooper agreed to be the school's representative.

Finally, Gareth noted that the PTA should continue to push EasyFundraising.

#### **5. Requests and College wishlists.**

The most recent application, for recycled plastic picnic tables, would be the largest donation the PTA has made. These tables would enhance the outdoor space and make it more flexible.

Jo Cooper reported that David Ramsden has asked about the PTA funding additional shelters for Duke of Edinburgh programmes. The group requested that she go back and ask for more details, specifically costings, and whether it would

be possible for the shelters to be used by the College for other activities.

## **6. Role allocation**

Chair: Sned (proposed: Gareth, seconded: Melissa)

Deputy chair: Melissa (proposed: Sned, seconded: Nicola)

Treasurer: Gareth (proposed: Sned, seconded: Nicola)

Deputy treasurer: still vacant

Secretary: Nicola (proposed: Sned, seconded: Cathy)

Deputy secretary: Mala (proposed: Nicola, seconded: Sned)

Cathy and Sned noted that there had been a volunteer for deputy treasurer by email, so Nicola agreed to check on their name and whether they were still interested.

## **7. Additional events**

The meeting felt that a social event in May would enable parents to mingle and to become more aware of PTA work. Suggestions included a quiz night or a barbecue.

## **8. Thank yous**

Sned finished the meeting by recording thanks to all the people who help with the PTA. IN particular from the College, she named Jo Cooper, Heather (for photocopying), Dan and Paul (publicity and promotion), Emma Heydon, Claire Franklin and Simon Morton.

She also thanked Sainsbury's in Bramcote, Tesco Toton, Boots and Marks and Spencer in Wollaton for their continued support to with raffle and tombola prizes.

She noted that the PTA struggles to find new volunteers and get attendance at events. She emphasised that the PTA was open to new ideas and new people.

**9. Any Other Business:** volunteers for Christmas Party between 1.30 and 4.30. Y7 Parents Open Afternoon will be on Thursday 10 October.

**10. Date of next meeting:** 21 November, 6 pm