



## Meeting minutes – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025 (12.30-1.30pm)

### Attendance

**Present:**, Kim Cepeda-Wilson, Laura Armitage, Karin Stringer, Cath Fearn, Helen Knight, Kate Bentley, Sandie Preen

**Apologies:** Liz Cockram, Becca Price, Tom Protheroe

- HK opened the meeting, welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming
- The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and confirmed as an accurate record of the meeting held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2025

### Members

- Our Charity Trustees are now out of date – Lynne Dennis and Barbara Gibbs, who we have no contact with and have not been active with the Committee for years. We would like to appoint new Trustees. Committee members suggest Cath Fearn (Treasurer) and Peter Fearn and who are well known to our committee members, this was agreed by all present members

### Finances

- Latest bank balance is £14,647.38
- Recent spend includes PAWS Therapy Dog, Staff Appreciation Breakfast, Easter Eggs, Sensory baskets and care packages
- Donations/Income – Thank you to the Fearn Family who asked for donations instead of gifts for their Golden Wedding Anniversary and raised an incredible £1,100 – thank you badges and cards have been sent to all donors. The school lottery continues to raise a good amount of funds, especially when people donate their wins, we have had payment from Asda Rewards £393.57 and easyfundraising amounts keep coming in

### For discussion/approval

- **Caleb memorial** – some staff are organising a tribute and will ask for funds if anything is needed
- **Holiday club** – Farida is progressing with Cheshire Buddies
- **Springfest** – date is Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June, sixth formers would like to borrow some money (c. £1,000) to hold the event and will pay back any profits made, all members agreed
- **Summer event (Meet the Teacher)** – will be held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, FoS will provide food for staff and for sale to families/carers, we will also run a raffle and invite the ice cream van and some local support organisations and have a Friends of Springfield Table (**ACTION: HK to organise**)
- **Hot 100** – HK would like to try a new initiative where we ask 100 people to raise £100 for FoS over the course of the academic year. This could be a sponsored run/silence/swim etc, it could be from selling homemade items or asking for donations instead of gifts etc (**ACTION: HK/CF/KB to organise**)
- **Colour Run** – KB would like to hold a colour run event, potentially using the grounds at Apollo, could do something as part of Sports Day (**ACTION: KB to share a plan**)



- **Prom and Leavers Hoodies** – committee agreed to pay for Leavers Hoodies again and any decorations etc for the Leavers Prom
- **Car Boot Sale** – LA proposed the idea of a car boot sale on school premises with proceeds from each car paying £5/10 each to FoS (**ACTION: LA to share plan**)
- **Bingo Night** – HK has been speaking to Joe at the Duke of Gloucester pub about a fundraising evening event and is awaiting dates (**ACTION: HK to organise**)

#### **5. Date of Next Meeting**

- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June at 12pm

#### **AOB**

- Rolling list: Student Council, FoS fund applications, FoS 'True Friend' Nominations, Story Bags, Website & FB page, Social events at DofG, Makaton, Staff Wellbeing sessions

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