



Minutes of Meeting held on 12th November 2018

At St Ambrose College

Present: Mr Cutting, Joanne McEntee, Andrea Mottram, Neil Priestner, Mary Ireland, Nathalie Lawrence, Stella Corran, Lynda Nempotakis, Catherine Callen, Julie Bastin, Sarah Welby, Justine Wilson, Vicky Walker, L Fielding, Cathy McBride, Edith Ariyo

Apologies: Nadia Allen, Andrea Kelly, Philomena Mezatio, Julie-Ann Hawkes, Nicole Telfer, Belinda Fleming-Graham

1. Minutes of last meeting were corrected – conversation with Sam Alford was had by Mary Ireland and Andrea Mottram – and approved by the committee, proposed by Joanne McEntee and seconded by Mary Ireland.
2. Matters Arising – The college production on 21st and 22nd of November is now not going ahead due to Mrs Bull being unwell – we send her our best wishes – so volunteers no longer required. Uniform sales continue to go well – further volunteers to run sales are required for the New Year. Joanne McEntee will circulate list at the next meeting.
3. Treasurer's Report – Neil Priestner gave an overview of the updated bank balances and a breakdown of the money raised from the Scalextric evening – unfortunately this was down on last year. He also reported that we have raised around £500 from uniform sales. He is re-organising to 100 club at the Prep school so that all transactions will be by bank transfer in the future, rather than cheques.
4. Scalextric Evening – disappointing to report that profit was down from last year but, given ticket sales difficulty, not surprising. No profit from the outside caterer. On a positive note, the side stalls and refreshments sold well and really positive feedback was received from those in attendance. Proposals for a different approach have been made by Vicky Walker to include our own tracks and the opportunity for the boys to build and race their own cars. It would be a much cheaper option for us to stage this event. This was enthusiastically received and merits further discussion at a later meeting.

5. Christmas Fair – preparations are now well underway with all stalls manned. Julie still requires items for the new Grotto but feels confident of obtaining these in advance of the day. Stella Corran has obtained an alcohol licence. Mr Cutting will distribute raffle ticket books to all year 7 boys and ensure that the slips asking for donations go out in the next couple of days. With the prize list for the raffle now complete, ticket sales on ParentMail have been launched and books have been distributed to the Prep school along with lucky pots. Set up is from 2pm – 7pm on Friday 23/11 and on the day of the fair from 9am. Joanne McEntee has drawn up a floor plan which was agreed. The winning design for the Christmas Fair programme was chosen from the Prep school entries – Andrew Stephenson was a deserving winner. First aid cover for the day falls to Joanne McEntee and Andrea Mottram.
6. Lottery Club – as mentioned the 100 club is being overhauled by Neil Priestner and will be advertised at the Christmas Fair
7. Future SAPA Meetings – due to issues with caretaking staff and overtime payment we have been asked to consider holding our meetings at an alternative location. Potential locations were discussed. Prep School teacher, Louise Fielding, will ask Mr Driscoll about using the Prep school as first choice. Failing that Holy Angels Church may have a room we can use and The Bulls Head pub have a meeting room that they would be prepared to waive the hire fee charge. There is also the community room at Tesco in Altrincham. A change in location could cause an issue with uniform sales but this will be addressed at the next meeting. Also consider a change in evening for the meetings to allow Mr Rainey to attend which may enable us to continue meeting in the college.
8. Any Other Business – Jon Langston has now taken over management of the SAPA website.

Next Meeting Monday 10th December at 7pm in the Bull's Head Pub, Wicker Lane