



The Friends of Ditcham Park School

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MINUTES OF THE FDPS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 11th September at 6:45pm at Ditcham Park School

In attendance: Tess Hall (TH) (Chair), Denise Allen (DA) (Treasurer), Helen Parrott (HP) (Secretary, Teacher rep), Jenny Worrall (JW), Sue Hughes (SH), Leanne Brett (LBR), Lou Bushell (LBU), Anita Hockin (AH), Martina Brown (MB), Anna Potter (AP); Graham Spawforth (GS) (Headmaster)

The Headmaster welcomed everyone to the evening and introduced everyone to FDPS and the Chair, Tess Hall.

1. Minutes of the 2018 AGM

The minutes of last year's AGM were passed by Denise Allen and seconded by Jenny Worrall.

2. Apologies

Mark Philips, Emma Johnston, Laila Edge, Tom Gaynor, Natasha Beckley, Nerys Gilraine.

3. Chair's Report and Thanks

Tess read her Chairperson's report – a copy is attached to the minutes. She thanked the Committee for all their support over the last year. She also thanked the Committee members who are stepping down this year.

4. Slideshow Presentation

A short film 'Friends of Ditcham – Can't Stop the Feeling' which was shown demonstrating what the FDPS achieve every year. Many thanks to Denise who put this together.

5. Treasurer's Report

The Friends have had an excellent year. At the start of the year there was £11,944 in the bank account, The Friends raised in the region of £12,500 of income through the year. The Christmas Fayre, the most significant event of the year, generated £7,241 of income. Income from the Ditcham Campover was £2,317. The rest of the income came from events including the newly introduced film nights and Hallowe'en party.



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Bids of £5,285 were awarded on a variety of things including £2,034 for bike racks for the ever popular bike clubs and £826 for benches. Other smaller amounts were awarded for items including road safety signs, the senior prom and a storyteller for World Book Day.

After all costs of generating funds had been accounted for the finishing position at the 31 August 2019 was a bank balance of £13,158. A cash buffer of £3,000 has been set aside, leaving £10,158 available for future bids.

Denise thanked all the parents who have supported the FDPS and announced that she will be stepping down from role as Treasurer.

6. Election of FDPS Executive Officers

The Chair, Treasurer and Secretary (Tess Hall, Denise Allen and Helen Parrott) all officially stepped down as required by the Constitution. Tess thanked Denise and Helen for their support and Leanne Brett and Jenny Worrall presented them with gifts on behalf of The Friends. Tess offered herself up for re-election.

7. Nomination Forms for Friends Committee

Nomination Forms for the Committee were available for completion. Helen Parrott explained that these forms could be used to join the committee or just register interest as a helper for events. Any help from parents would be gratefully received. The committee will be officially elected at the first Committee Meeting on Wednesday 25th September 2019.

The meeting concluded at 7pm.

Next FDPS committee Meeting

The next FDPS committee meeting will be held in the Ditcham Park School Library at 7pm on Wednesday 25th September 2019.