

## **FRIENDS OF ST AIDAN'S (FOSA) - AGM**

### **Main Hall**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017 7pm**

#### **Attendees:**

John Wood Headteacher	JW	Jen Winterschladen Secretary	JLW
Jane Regnier Treasurer	JR	Cath Harrison Marketing	CH
Karen Winspear	KW	Katie Reynolds-Jones	KRJ
Cerys Gill	CG	Jo Cunningham	JC
Lorna Eley	LE	Jane Kennerley	JK
Caroline Brook	CB	Maureen Webber	MW
Catherine Bolton	CBn	Elaine Hardiment	EH
Maria Dowie	MD	Amanda Hall	AH

#### **Forthcoming Events 2017 where FOSA support is required**

<b>OCTOBER</b>			
Saturday	14 <sup>th</sup>	12.45-4pm	St Aidan's Open Day
<b>DECEMBER</b>			
Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7pm	FOSA Christmas Ball

#### **Welcome**

Mr Wood welcomed all attendees, especially new parents. Gave background to history of FOSA and reminded everyone that all parents of pupils at St Aidan's are automatically members of the charity.

#### **Apologies**

Peter Heyes, Cheryl Winter, Tina Salden, Amanda Miller

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Jane Regnier presented detailed financial report. Copy attached for reference.

#### **Head Master's Report**

- Music – amazing opportunities for students within this department. Main highlight was Junior and Symphonic Bands playing at Royal Hall.
- Sport – stand out sports for the school were noted to have been Athletics and Cross Country, with students qualifying for the English National Schools Finals. Mr Wood gave special thanks to Mark Bryant (Head of Biology) for his tremendous efforts coaching the athletics and cross-country students. Also noted in Sports Magazine, St Aidan's were placed 56<sup>th</sup> in Top 100 schools.
- Drama – Mr Wood encouraged all AGM attendees to book tickets for School of Rock production, promising it to be another fantastic performance lead by Head of Drama, Mrs Fran Bray. He noted how hard the students had been working on rehearsals in and out of school time.

- Duke of Edinburgh Awards (D of E) - continues to thrive, with students participating at both Bronze and Gold level.
- Staff – Mr Wood noted he was delighted to be able to comment on St Aidan’s being ‘fully staffed’. The school is in a very fortunate position to have all job vacancies filled. Mr Wood also noted that Teaching Schools such as St Aidan’s are beginning to train their own teachers. Three full time positions were filled last year all through the academy.
- Exam Results – “Stunning, phenomenal at GCSE”. In English and Maths, 90% of year group got at least a level 4 and 80% got level 5s. Also noted were the Best 8 subjects (value added) had been scored at a .8, which was a fantastic improvement on last years .46.
- Mobile phones – Mr Wood noted that the mobile phone ban within school day is working extremely well. Students are actually talking and it has reduced the amount of ‘fall out’ social media can cause.

Mr Wood finished his report with “Students Great, Parents Wonderful, Staff Fantastic!!”

### **Election and Re-Election of committee members.**

- A huge thank you to Peter Heyes and Cheryl Winter for their FOSA involvement over the past year. Both have decided to step down from their positions as Chair and Vice Chair with immediate effect.
- Chair position was opened to volunteers. Jen Winterschluden and Jane Regnier came forward offering a joint-chair option. MW proposed this and JC seconded.
- Vice chair was volunteered by Catherine Bolton. JW proposed this, KW seconded.
- Treasurer will remain with Jane Regnier
- Secretary was volunteered by Karen Winspear. JW proposed this, JR seconded.
- Marketing role was volunteered by Cath Harrison, JW proposed, JR seconded.

### **Constitution Approval**

New constitution was approved by Jane Regnier and John Wood. CH proposed this and EH seconded.

### **2018 Event Ideas**

- 3 Yorkshire Peaks walk – May 2018?
- Beer, Gin and Music Festival – July 2018?
- Bollywood Night?
- Year 7 quiz night?

### **Other Business**

Date of next meeting: brainstorming session and proposed FOSA 2018 calendar of events – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 7.30pm. Staff Room.

Meeting closed at 8pm

