

**Minutes CGSPA meeting held on
Wednesday 28th June 2023 18.00 – 20.00
TH Office CGS.**

1. Welcome, Present and Apologies:

Present:

Claire-Louise Hutchinson (Chair, CLH)
Amber Peters (Secretary, AP)
Michelle Kelsall (MK)
Tim Harris (Headteacher TH)
Caroline P
Kathryn E
Sarah H
Jenny W
Sarah Farmer
Liz Robinson
Andrew G (Unable to obtain an internet connection)

Apologies:

Louise White
Ona Popescu
Debbie W
Karen Shaw
Louise H
Nell Robertson
Frankie Phillips

2. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

- None – These were agreed via e-mail with the committee members, as per the constitution.

3. Overview of Events

Meeting to be held in TH Office with the option of a teams link

Microsoft Teams meeting

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- BCAS – 14th & 15th October 2023 – C-L asked if we could have a separate meeting to help LR to organise this event. JW, SH, SF said they can help on the day. MK, AP will run the café. SET - UP will be on the 13th. KE will sort the money side of the event. On the 12th^{Oct} boards will be delivered. C-L will send a shout out to parents to ask for help.
- Christmas Trees – To be bought and set up before the Xmas fair on the 9th December.
- Summer Fair – 18th July – BBQ, Uniform, Drinks, Books (CP will do books and it is possible to add the uniform stall next to it), Cakes, Alison to sell t-towels and bags. SH will deliver the uniform but is unable to attend. Floats have been given to C-L. AP to ask TESCO if they will donate the bread rolls again. Gas Bottles.
- Year 7 Cream Tea afternoon Friday 28th June 2.45 for parents to attend – Cream Teas and Coffees to be served. A great event for new parents. Stickers to be given so parents know who is in their child's form.
- Winter Frost Fayre December – 11- 4pm Saturday 9th December A Community event – Tea / coffee, Soup, Muled Wine, books, External stalls, Music CL to ask Mrs Roberts to sort out a few children to sing / play instruments. Nell will be happy to e-mail the stall holders asap. The books can go in the hallway with other stall holders. Stall to be kept inside. Stall holders can set up on the Friday evening.
- Barn Dance – Faye Roberts has asked if the PA are willing to run it. – We have a lot of folk singers and barn dancers within the school and would it be a good idea to provide this event. A caller would be required to inform the people what steps to do. JW expressed a view that due to the wide spread of parent would they travel for an evening event?
- Festive evening – Platters of food to be provided. C-L to email the gateway and ask for their availability on the 13th / 14th December Chocolate Tombola to be provided.

4. Headteacher's Report

6th formers are becoming more involved in the house teams. C-L will try to locate the house badges in the PA cupboard.

Visit from southwest 100 – the 'Reach Foundation' are investing heavily with multi academy trusts, they visit what they consider to be to best run schools in the country of which we are one of them. They meet the year 12 students and are re visiting again next week. TH does not feel it is right for CGS to join a MAT but is happy to support and work with school in Devon.

TH is looking at developing a 'Development board' to aid this support given. CGS is also a teaching hub and hub for training new teachers from 2024. The PGC will come from Nottingham for this. The school are looking at how they can help lower attending children in school to achieve more.

TH has expressed that the development board will look at how the funds that are raised by the PA is best spent. C-L said it will be great to have a goal and fundraise for a specific project.

TH expressed that Take 5 needs a refurbishment and there are areas within the school that require improvements. They are also looking at the car parking area. The 'Development Board' would also look at this. TH said that more classrooms are required and the general expansion of the school as it goes as a teaching school / hub.

TH is very ambitious about the school and is keen to see the progression and how they can make a difference including change.

C-L expressed that the PA are keen to have a goal to fundraise for.

Industrial action, please see the e-mail sent out today 28th/08/23. The school are doing their best to keep the school open as much as possible.

Recruitment requirement for next year is minimal, which is great news for the school.

Parents evening – A survey will be going out to parents to obtain if they prefer an in person or virtual meeting.

CP expressed that there was a mental health talk many years ago which was very well attended, and this would be a good opportunity to look at doing again.

5. Andrew Gould Report – link Trustee for the PA

Unfortunately, AG was not able to join due to internet issues. He sent an email to say, the Board is massively grateful for all you have done and continue to do.

6. Any Other Business

- C-L has expressed that due to her son's unknown next steps after his GCES's she may not be here to continue to as Chair of the PA in September 2024 / 2025, therefore is asking the whole committee to have a think and work along side her for next year so they learn the role to the fullest.
- Michelle is unable to attend the Goose Fair. 30th September. This involves running 2 stalls. MK is going to ask the 2 ladies and their 6th former children who helped last year if they would like to run this again.

7. Dates of next AGM

- 11th October 2023 6pm CGS TH Office 6.00.

8. Date of next Meeting

- Main Meeting - 11th October after the AGM. CGS - TH Office. 7.00.
- Smaller meeting to be organised for BCAS and Summer Fair. DATE & TIME TBC.
- BCAS – 10th July 7pm Teams Link below:

<https://teams.live.com/meet/9470671174172?p=sOAQTD2LQgCQTlqR>

The Chair & Vice Chair thanks everyone for coming.