

# Minutes of the meeting of the Boosters at VIS High School

10 October 2016

*Attendees - Sean Holt, Fiona Ambery, Tilla Andersson, Melissa Kent, Mariska Steenkamer, Clare Sheasby, Faifi, Samantha Rowe-Beddoc, Michaela Davies, Susanna Ossude, Tanja Hetherington*

## Discussion with HOS about Draft VIS Vision Statement

- Tottie presented a Draft Vision Statement that had been created by the Board during their recent training session and asked for feedback.
- A discussion took place whereby suggestions were made to include a reference to education.
- Tottie asked that anyone with feedback to email her by Wednesday 12 October 2016.

## Halloween

- Sean summarised what the Halloween event has traditionally involved. It is the most popular event of the Booster calendar and always very well attended. However, it takes a large number of volunteers to set up and run the event. There is normally:
  - Tunnel of Terror
  - Games for younger kids
  - Prizes
  - Bar
  - Food, including soup
  - Tables and chairs
  - It runs on a Friday from 6:30 to 9:30
  - Decorations
  - Craft room
  - Ticket selling
  - Took 70 volunteers in 2015

- Can we do it all again this year? We need a games coordinator, food coordinator, decorations coordinator.
- All agree that 10 games is enough.
- Mariska offered to email the Grade 8 parents in her role as class parent to see if anyone is interested in helping with the coordination roles.
- Booster ExComm will approach people to see if they can take responsibility for a game and find volunteers to run it.
- Games:
  - Hexibugs
  - Candy toss?
  - Blind fishing?
  - Splat the teacher
  - Pumpkin bowling
  - Duck pond?
  - Jelly pond
  - Doughnut bobbing
  - Cookie decorating
  - Ghostly candles?
  - Lollipop tree?
  - Limbo
  - Pumpkin carving contest
- Agree not to do a disco - there will be a small bouncy castle instead.
- Tilla will run the bar
- Food - we will ask Mandy if she can run the BBQ again, and ask Nicky if she can coordinate the pumpkin soup. There will be no pizza as the soup is the vegetarian option.
- Re halal food - all agree that it would be nice to offer this, but that if people want halal we need someone with experience with halal food to organise it. Booster Ex Comm cannot do it.
- Tickets - need to be sold in advance. Entrance is €2.50pp, food/drink tickets will be €1 each, Tunnel of Terror tickets €5 each.
- Dessert - We will ask people to make Halloween themed cupcakes and cakes and sell them for 1 ticket each. The dessert table is a good opportunity to make money at this event.

- Photoshaker booth - a former Verdala parent has approached the Boosters about setting up a Photoshaker booth at the Halloween function which produces 6x4 photos for €5 each. She proposes to give Boosters 50c for each photo. They will set up and run the booth. All agree it is a good idea, but that Boosters should get a bigger cut - maybe €1?

### **Miscellaneous**

- Class parents and the Booster Club - a question was asked about whether there was a formal liaison between class parents and the Booster Club. Fiona explained that the Boosters have deliberately distanced themselves from the class parent coordination as there were some issues a few years ago. All agree that liaison would be good.
- Mariska offered to email the Grade 8 parents in her role as class parent to see if anyone is interested in helping with the coordination roles.
- Plea for help to replace Melissa Kent - Samantha Rowe-Beddoc offered to take over Mel's role of taking notes at meetings. Arrangements were made for them to meet and hand over the material.
- Booster Room - is a bit of a mess. Mandy has offered to keep it in order and Tanja will contact her to arrange a time to go in and help her put it to rights after the BTS BBQ.
- HS shade cloth - it is in the Booster Room. The HS student council is responsible for putting it up.