Minutes of the Booster monthly meeting 9 November 2015

ATTENDANCE

Gerri Wiechnik, Tanya Hetherington, Keith Sharp, Isabelle Piotrowski, Joanne Payne, Kristyna Montfortova, Kim Samaha, Sam Brown, Mandy Camillieri, Zoe Martin, Fiona Ambery, Tilla Andersson, Sean Holt.

The meeting started at 9-10.

HALLOWEEN CARNAVAL

Generally the event went very well with lots of positive feedback.

People arrived very early and games need to start at 6-30. This makes it difficult for volunteers as they'd need to be prepared to work in two shifts of 75 minutes rather than 60.

Mummy wrapping game was too messy.

Donut game was a great success but needs two people to run it.

Bar was much better organized, Thanks Tilla!

Burgers were very well received. Thanks Mandy!.

Isabelle suggested that a team of tasters join her in a visit to the wine suppliers in Portomaso to check on price and quality of wine offered by her contacts there.

Sam suggested that the smoke machine needs to be the bigger version with smoke release on a timer rather than manually triggered.

Isabelle reported that the Grade 6 sweet sale table went well. After some discussion we agreed that the profit should be incorporated into the general Booster profit but that acknowledgement should be made publicly to reward the efforts of Grade 6 students.

The disco needs an adult to supervise and prevent the children from climbing up the fort walls.

CHRISTMAS PLAN

General feeling that the school should take complete ownership for the concert part of the event. Sean to speak again to Ms Wendy and Roy to ensure they understand our concerns.

We agreed that there will be no entrance fee for the event.

Christmas market. After some discussions we agreed that there should be a limited Christmas market co ordinated by Fiona and Lisa G with stall holders known to be easy to deal with and co operative. (Malta Entertainer Niki and Tripp, Mark Nelson charity, 12th grade charity jewellery, Vinag, Pia, refugee charity Emma B and Krisyna)

Santa's Grotto. Depends if we can find a Santa prepared to run this. If we do Tanya agreed to assist with keeping order in the area. Badly behaved children were a problem last year.

<u>Bouncy Castle</u>. Fiona will contact the man we used at the BBQ. We will site this in the area outside the library.

<u>Craft Room</u>. Gerri offered to lead on this assisted by CAS students.

<u>Magician</u>. Sean to research with Niky Schlemberi who has a good contact for this.

<u>Food and drink.</u>

60 Litres of mulled wine. Zoe. Cost 2 Euros

Hot chocolate volunteer required . Cost 1 Euro.

Burgers, Hot Dogs, on a BBQ Mandy to lead.

Pizzas Michaela and her team. 2 Euros a slice.

Isabelle will co ordinate a Grade 6 table selling Christmas cocktails (non alcoholic)

We will invite parents to bring traditional Christmas cakes and sweets. Sean.

We will advertise for a decorations co ordinator.

MERCHANDISING

Tilla reported that this is going well though the exercise needs lots of work and we need to make a good profit to justify the effort. The hoodies with the big logo are very popular but currently we have agreed that these will only sold by STUCO. We will consider a similar design for the spring collection. We agreed that Tilla can buy some stock for later sale if the quantities order do not quite meet the 200 item target we need for better prices.

Caps in colours other than red and black have not been offered this time as the time line was too short.

Tilla will forward some comments for inclusion in the merchandising page of the Booster web site.

WEBSITE

Keith reported that progress had been slow on the website. CAS volunteers who agreed to refurbish the site need a greater sense of urgency.

Keith will liaise with Jane to discover which parents have asked that their children's images are not made public on the site. (after note, Daphne is apparently the expert on this. Sean has sent an e mail asking for photographs of the children concerned so that we can ensure that their images do not appear on the web site.)

The meeting finished at 10-20.

Minutes taken by Sean Holt