



## FOSS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH at 6:30PM**

Present: Present: Melissa Wolland(MW), Caroline Barrell(CB), Lucy Amos John(LA), Ken Docherty(KD), Bonnie Keiller(BK), Sylvia Collins(SC), Sorcha Rayner(SR), Gill Gilbert, Helen Jeeves, Vickie Watts, Pippa Gibson, Dan Smith, Chantelle Miller, Charis Gates, Amanda Morfill, Angela Woodruffe, Ishat Laskar, Rachael Bell-berry, Ste Thornley, Clare Robertson, Helen Chappell, Nicola Bodnar.

	Discussion Points	Agreed Action
1.	<b>Apologies</b>	Stacey Binks Liz Ugless Mrs Eddy Mulcahy Mrs Bradley
2.	<b>Agree minutes of last AGM</b>	Minutes from last AGM (held 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2017) and EGM (held 15 <sup>th</sup> March) agreed and signed by chair. Proposed by LA Seconded by CB
3.	<b>Matters arising from the previous AGM</b>	There were no matters arising

4.

**Head  
Teacher's  
Report**

It's with a mixture of feelings that I'm writing this report...

Once again this year has been a really good year for FOSS, with fundraising activities happening on a regular basis. As a new committee you really have thrown yourselves into the task of raising much needed funds for the school.

As always the Summer Fete was a lovely day which ran so smoothly, with all your hard work beforehand ending in a fabulously sunny day with lots of people supporting FOSS and the school. This event is always a highlight of the school calendar and brings together the whole school and village community. From a personal point of view it is always lovely to catch up with former pupils and their families

We all enjoy the Christmas Bazaar; the pupils love the chance to spend their money and choose gifts for all the members of their families. I know that all the staff and parents really appreciate the hard work that goes into the creative aspect of the Christmas Bazaar; this event is very much part of our school calendar of events and reflects the ethos of the school we're all trying to work towards.

In between these two key events we've yet again had a series of fundraising activities including: Cake Breaks (always a favourite with Mr Thornley!), Bags2School, Raffles and Children's Discos – all of which have been well supported and enjoyed by the parents and children alike. This year it's been noticeable that your range of fundraising events has continued to reach new families.

Over the year FOSS has raised money to:

- subsidise school trips
- subsidise the Year Books for our Yr 6 pupils and helped to fund their Leavers' BBQ
- contribute towards the interactive whiteboards in the classrooms - £2200
- purchase a new trim trail which will be installed this term - £7,000 – the installation of which will take place at the end of this term on Wednesday 28 and Thursday 29 March 2018

Organisations like FOSS are vital links for a school and its community – you are able to reach out beyond the school gate. During this past successful year you have shown time and time again that when a team of people take one creative idea and add to that a lot of hard work, anything is possible. As a school we are very lucky to have such a hard working committee and I hope that new parents will consider supporting FOSS in whatever way they can and will see that in addition to the hard work that accompanies each event there is also a great deal of fun and an opportunity to meet new people who become firm friends.

This is my last FOSS AGM and throughout my 21 years at the school I have come to know many different committees. Each individual committee has always worked tirelessly in order to provide the children who attend our school with the extra bits that our school budget just cannot stretch to.

We are entering a new phase in school funding; the cuts that you hear or read about are very real and will mean that support from organisations like FOSS will be pivotal if schools are to be able to offer enriching activities or facilities to their pupils.

'Thank you' are two small words but behind these two small words is a great understanding and appreciation of all your efforts not just for this past year but also for the many previous years, so on behalf of all the pupils, governors, teaching and support staff - Thank you!

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5.	<b>Chair's Report</b>	<p>It's that time of year when I have to write my first Chairs report for this AGM and how quick has that flown by.</p> <p>I would like to start off by thanking Miss Gilbert, all the teachers and TAs, office staff and Mr Bates for all their support and assistance during the year. From endless emails to ask things to be put on Parent mail, to teachers and TAs helping at Cake Break and discos etc. Without this support we would not be able to hold such successful events.</p> <p>Also whilst I am thanking people I would like to show my appreciation to the parents for always offering to be helpers, buying or baking cakes, and providing raffle prizes and for supporting the events.</p> <p>My final thanks go to the FOSS committee, the first full year as a new team and we have successfully held over 10 fundraising activities raising much needed funds for the school.</p> <p>We have subsidised school trips, contributed towards 2 new Smart boards, purchased board games for all the classrooms and much more. So the money we raise goes direct to the children and enhancing their school experience.</p> <p>It is our aim this year to help raise funds to replace the outdoor picnic benches in the playgrounds,</p> <p>to improve the access to the outside classroom and continue to help lower the cost of school trips by subsidising them to be more affordable.</p> <p>Being on FOSS is so rewarding and you get to have a real input into raising funds whilst seeing the children and parents enjoying the activities and events. Now is the time to join our committee, share new ideas and make this year more successful than last.</p> <p>Thank you and let's get planning.</p>
6.	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	<p>FOSS has had another really successful year in fundraising. The FOSS accounting year runs from the 1 st January each year. In the financial year 2017 FOSS raised an amazing £5951.87 and over the financial year £19,149.86 has been spent on school. The last FOSS committee did some amazing fundraising in 2016 which meant we started 2017 with £18,025.82 in the bank.</p> <p>The main fundraising this year has been cake breaks which have raised £771, two discos which have raised £510.69, the Summer fete £3146, Christmas bazaar £552 and raffle £342.</p> <p>A full breakdown of events can be seen in the accounts overview.</p> <p>FOSS has been able to provide school with the trim trail, repairs to play equipment, subsidising school trips and the year 6 leavers books, interactive whiteboards for school and Christmas gifts of board games for each class. A full breakdown of expenditure can be seen in the accounts overview.</p> <p>At the end of the accounting year 2017 FOSS had £4827.83 in our accounts. This accounting year we have already had a successful cake break raising £158.20 and a charity donation of £500. All funds raised by FOSS go back into school to provide equipment and experiences for all pupils.</p> <p>I would like to thank all members of FOSS for all their hard work in our events. A big thank you to all staff at school which help at events and make them possible and to all parents who support our events.</p>
7.	<b>Questions for the Committee</b>	No questions

<p><b>8.</b></p>	<p><b>Election of Officers &amp; Committee members</b></p>	<p>Chair: Melissa Wolland – proposed by CB, seconded by SC.</p> <p>Secretary: Caroline Barrell – proposed by MW, seconded by KD.</p> <p>Treasurer: Lucy Amos John – Proposed by MW,seconded by SC</p> <p>Committee: Sorcha Rayner - Proposed by MW,seconded by BK</p> <p>Bonnie Keiller - Proposed by SR, seconded by CB</p> <p>Sylvia Collins - Proposed by MW,seconded by LA</p> <p>Ken Docherty - Proposed by MW,seconded by SC</p> <p>Stacey Binks - Proposed by MW,seconded by LA</p> <p>All members agree with proposals.</p>
<p><b>9.</b></p>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p>	<p>Cake break moved from 14<sup>th</sup> March to 2<sup>nd</sup> May  Disco on 16<sup>th</sup> March – committee to check availability  Iron Fist coming up – 28<sup>th</sup> April.</p> <p>Meeting started 6:30pm  Meeting ended 6:50pm</p>