



MINUTES OF BWSPA COMMITTEE MEMBERS' MEETING
held via Microsoft Teams on
Thursday 18th March 2021

Present: Rob Jones (Chair), Nicolette Beardsmore, Dr Smallwood, Kate Doyle (Secretary- Minutes), Tarun Khurana (Assistant Treasurer), Kirsten Webster, Sarah Robertson, Lucy Schofield, Charles Taverner, and Jo Woods.

Sixth Formers: Lewis Townsend & Mark Jones

Apologies: Paul Tayler, Susie Andrews, Julia Forder (Treasurer), Penny Calvert, Iain Oxley (1000 Club Co-ordinator),

Action column lists members by their initials

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<p>1. Welcome The Chair welcomed everyone</p>	
<p>2. Minutes of the previous meeting The minutes of the meeting held on 4th February 2021 were AGREED. (Proposed by LS & seconded by RJ)</p>	
<p>3. School Update from Dr Smallwood</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Everyone is back at school – all happy! b) Testing is nearly finished, over 3000 tests, year 9 on 19/3, then everyone has been done twice, been plenty of parent helpers –the amount of help has been extraordinary – no positive results at date of meeting. c) 11+ Results went out, 160 boys coming in Sept 2021, applications are now coming in. d) 6th Form update - 160 applications from girls. Circa 250 girls & boys coming in Sept, possible waiting list. Every single BWS boy from yr 11 applied – offer goes to BWS boys first and then offer goes to others e) Year 11 & year 13 will be awarded grades by assessment – there will be no exams, the depts are looking at consolidating work across the curriculum. Year 11 did mocks in Nov, therefore some assessment evidence, no mocks for yr 13, therefore will have an assessment week. Depts will be preparing slimmed down tests on content for w/c 10/5 – haven't been given guidance from exam boards, not available until 30/3 – therefore can't tell boys what they are going to assess until hear from exam board. No algorithm this year. All grades go to exam board on 17/6. Grades will be issued earlier this year – 10th & 12th Aug. 	
<p>4. 6th Form Leavers Ball</p> <p>Lewis Townsend and Mark Jones attended the meeting and briefed the members with regards to their proposed 6th Form Leavers Ball.</p>	

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<p>a) This event has previously been held with SWGS – there was some confusion over whether that collaboration was to continue this year but KW agreed to liaise with SWGS to see if this was possible. This is a student organised event. The boys advised that they have formed a social media account, have 100 students from each school on it for updates, voting for preferences, votes on venues.</p> <p>b) They have been looking at venues & contacted some – a former favourite, the Art Centre are not taking any bookings until Summer. So they are going for Salisbury Race course which can accommodate 350-400 people. There is availability on 29 & 30 June. Have been advised they will get a refund if have to cancel.</p> <p>c) Live music popular and is booked.</p> <p>d) Food – they have a year 13 parent offering to cover food via a pizza van.</p> <p>e) Ticket sales – need to sort out refunding process if required. Kirsten offered to sort this via websites and can facilitate through SWGS Finance office/Michelle Chilcott. BWS finance office can help too. Can use social media to broadcast ticket sale/refund process.</p> <p>f) Need volunteer team on door to check bags, tickets & ID – every over 18 gets a band – BWSPA to seek volunteers.</p> <p>g) Back up plan if can't do June – last week Aug? Not a good option so if have to cancel will need to refund ticket purchasers.</p> <p>h) Plus 1 tickets to cost slightly more at £25 than standard ticket at £20. Suggested offering Early bird tickets for £15 for a week or to the first 50 people? Good to get a small pool of money to pay off some costs.</p>	<p>KW</p> <p>KW</p> <p>RJ</p>
<p>5. Proposals for Fundraising Objectives for 2021 (Chair)</p> <p>a) Thrive – as PC not present , this item was deferred to the next meeting</p> <p>b) Wellbeing Pods – great idea, somewhere different for having lunch, possible issue though with kids climbing over them! Plus they can only house about 4 boys and take up a lot of space. Could we find something bigger, or benches, or more cover. E.g. sails? But these need replacing a lot. Ask the boys what they want? School council? Rob to investigate.</p> <p>c) Social events & other activities- hopefully after 21/6 no more restrictions. Rugby club event for parents? Quiz? To take place early June/July face to face, if agreed NB agreed she and her husband would be happy to run this.</p> <p>d) Charles Taverner, a new member (welcome!) suggested a Summer ball? In longer term. He has spoken with Roger Crisp regarding a possible wine tasting evening, but later on. Wine dinner event? Partnership with local restaurant. Cricket event for fathers & sons? Or families with picnic? Suggested Auction with Quiz, can tap into contacts for prizes. Raffle?</p>	<p>RJ</p>
<p>6. Ongoing Fundraising activities</p> <p>a) Uniform sales - £260 taken at the 1st one. 2nd one took £100. New website worked well. Next one to take place late May. And then one for Year 7's in early July, prob 2 that month. One for Yr 7's and one for rest of school.</p> <p>b) Easter Raffle – 1253 tickets sold as of 18/3/2021 KD - Post meeting note: KW reported that £1712 was taken in ticket sales – a big success. Now organising getting prizes to winners.</p> <p>c) Rain or Shine – advertising leaflet signed off. Lucy organising ticket sales & Kirsten selling them through website. Event to take place on Sat 26th June. Back up plan if</p>	<p>NB</p> <p>Cttee</p> <p>LS/KW</p>

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can't go ahead? - Event will need to be postponed, final decision to go ahead depends on company organising. Going to sell hot drinks.	
<p>7. Dates of Future BWSPA Socials & Meetings – to be held at the School unless lockdown tier restrictions continue, in which case meetings will be held online via MS Teams</p> <p>All meetings start at 7.30 pm and are limited to 1.5 hours</p> <p>Tuesday 11 May 2021 Thursday 24 June 2021</p>	All

Any comments or queries about the above minutes or the activities of the BWSPA please email the Secretary via parents.association@bws-school.org.uk