

# William Gilbert Endowed School PTA

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## Minutes of the PTA meeting held Friday 4 July 2008

**Chairman: Mary Johnson-Evans**

### 1. Opening Welcome

Mary welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 2. Present

Sue Whyld, Mary Johnson-Evans, Andrea Hewing, Karen Lawley, Jane Arnold, Judith Carroll, Kate Naylor, Rachel Storr, Anna Nandwani, Deborah Outhwaite

#### Apologies

Karen Nicholson, Joanne Hare, Kelly Houston, Gail Mann, Jane Munns, Helen Warner, Bronwen Skinner, Rachel Abbot

### 3. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

Minutes of the last formal meeting held on 18 March 2008 were proposed by Karen Lawley and seconded by Mary Johnson-Evans.

### 4. President's Report

Mrs Whyld thanked the PTA for their ongoing support with Leavers books, for providing refreshments at the New Parents meeting and for a very successful May Fayre. She thanked Kate Naylor for her contribution to the PTA over her time at the school.

Following on from an outstanding Offsted report, Mrs Whyld wished to express her deep gratitude to the PTA for all their hard work. The extra money that the school had been given had contributed greatly in the school achieving such a high marks.

### 5. Chairman's Report

Mary wished to thank Ruth Slade-Walker for a very successful Sports Spectacular and Sue Robey for organising the pumpkin plants. Our Carnival entry won 'best in procession'.

### 6. May Fayre

A very successful event raising £1600.

### 7. Carnival

Mrs Whyld expressed her disappointment with the lack of parents and children taking part in the Parade. Again there were problems in getting the children quickly through the tunnel onto Eyes Meadow. However, she added that Bridget's mini looked fantastic and expressed her thanks to Ann Hunt for decorating it.

### 8. New Ball Committee

Jane Arnold has agreed to contact Pride Park in order to obtain a date for the Ball. Deborah Outhwaite, Amanda Hamilton and Debbie Grace have also volunteered to help organize the Ball.

### 9. Shading Update

Infants now have their permanent tent installed. There has been a delay in the awning outside Mrs Owen's room due to structural problems with the wall. The awning is due to be fitted before the end of this school term.

**10. Spending Requests**

Mrs Willis has requested for some cushions for the outside benches, Amanda Hamilton has agreed to make these at cost price.

Mrs Whyld had no immediate requests but will look to the PTA in September for the annual £4000 curriculum money. She added that she was no further with the Laptop and trolley quotes as this had been put on hold until the building work was completed. A wish for every classroom to have its own digital camera was also expressed, therefore avoiding the use of staff's own personal cameras.

**11. Capital Expenditure**

Jo Raynor has now completed the hall curtains and has ordered fabric to make the blackout blinds for the windows, cost being £190 for each blind.

**12. Correspondence received**

We have received a cheque for £350.00 from Duffield Parish, being the full grant applied for by Mary. This money is to be used towards the purchase of new computers, Andrea will send thank you letter.

We have received details of an organisation who run a fashion show for fundraising events. This may be used later in the year to replace the Ladies Shopping night.

**13. AOB**

Year 6 Leavers books finished.

Barn Dance has been booked by Janet Brambilla for 27 September, tickets will be available as soon as we return from the Summer Holidays.

Following on from interest shown at the new parents meeting, Mary will talk to Mrs Mathews with regard to ordering a supply of drawstring PE bags with the school logo.

**14. Date, time and venue of next meeting**

Monday 15 September 2008, 7.30 pm at The Pattern Makers.

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