## **Cults Academy PTA Meeting**

## 18 February 2016

Present:

David Strang, Nicola Henderson, Carol Gibson, Chris Cowen, Sylvia Harper, Anna Daley, Jackie Flett, Olga Dunsire, Julie Simpson, Fiona Smart.

Agenda Item	Discussion
Apologies	Anna Muirhead, Karen Hennigan, Diane Colquhoun, Jana Lough, Ruth Bryan, Doreen Sutherland
Review of Previous Minutes	The minutes were approved.
Ashvale Race Night	Anna D reported that Bancon Homes had informed her that they no longer sponsored local groups but they are willing to make a donation to the PTA. They did not state how much. The sponsorship received is:  Marcliffe Hotel £100 Scott Gilmour £50 Aberdeen Considine £50 Sainsburys (voucher) £25 Of the 8 races, two races will be sponsored by the Marcliffe and one race by each of the other companies. Karen Hennigan and Doreen Sutherland donated £20 so two races will be sponsored by them and the PTA will 'sponsor' the remaining one.  13 horses have so far been sold. 61 tickets have been sold. Sylvia will inform the Ashvale. A decision on whether to book another race night will be taken after the event. Carol will bring the whiskey (from cupboard) for one prize. The other cash prize will be half of the takings collected on the 'mobile numbers' round.
Quiz Night	The Quiz night will take place on Friday, 13 May. It was agreed to keep the entry fee the same, £5.  The school will apply for an alcohol licence.  Advertising – The school will use and update the flyer from last year and advertise in the end of term newsletter. Carol will put the ad in MBC News and Jackie will do the same with the Culter Courrier. Anna D will share with Lairhilloch FB page. (School to email flyer).  Chris will locate the trophy and have any engravings updated.  Sylvia will buy drinks/snacks.
Sports Day/fundraising	As a large percentage of the PTA's fundraising efforts go towards Sport's Day, it was suggested that we link a fundraising activity in conjunction with the day and involve the pupils directly. More importantly, there was a strong desire to involve the pupils in fundraising generally. Suggestions included:  5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> year pupils linking a fundraising involvement with Business/Enterprise; Having a pupil representative on the PTA, a PTPA.

	A raffle specifically aimed at the pupils, perhaps drawn on Sport's Day.  David S will pass on these suggestions for Anna M's consideration and further discussion at the next meeting.
Alcohol Licence and Raffle return	Jackie contacted ACC for clear guidance on when we should have an alcohol/raffle licence.  An Alcohol Licence is required if alcohol is sold at all, including within the price of a ticket. This is the format for the Christmas Fair and given how strict the Council have become regrading alcohol around children, it was felt that we should no longer include prosecco, but move to non-alcoholic drinks.  A raffle Licence is required if tickets are sold outwith the school building. This costs £20 and is currently applied for every year, in order to run the Christmas fair raffle. The PTA are insured through the Parent Council's insurance but it is unclear what exactly we are insured for. Jackie will enquire.
АОСВ	The Stallholder who lost stock has emailed Chris. She claims that her stock was 'stolen' and 'someone must know who has it'. The value she is placing on it has now risen to £400 (previously £300) and she claims there is a lack of sympathy for her situation. She states that she, at least, should have her stall deposit returned (£18), if not compensation. Given the aggressive and inflammatory nature of her letter, it was felt that the best course of action was to return the £18, as a good-will gesture, emphasising that there was sympathy for her but taking no responsibility for her loss.  Jackie has read through the Chairperson's folder she was passed and much of it is duplicated in the Secretary's. Carol will check there is one copy of everything and keep any other, obsolete info in the PTA cupboard.
Next Meeting	Thursday, 21 April 2016