

AGM Meeting held at The Club, Monmouth Wednesday 1st October 2024

Attendees: Harriet Jones, Sally Chilton, Leanne Wakerley, Tess Deighton, Mark Rampton-Carter, Emily Ryder, Abbe Opher, Ruth Brown, Ceri Jones, Su Madurasinghe

Apologies: Becky Stoddard, Noni North, Heri Fell

Harriet Jones Chair welcomed all attendees and thanked them for coming.

Minutes from AGM Oct 2023 – Minutes approved as an accurate record

Chair's Report – Harriet gave a comprehensive report regarding all the very positive activities of MCS Friends over the last year; thanking everyone for their hard work and support (see attached).

Leanne to turn the Chair's report into an annual report to email to school community and post on website including a breakdown of funds provided by MCS Friends for school projects, with links to Easy Fundraising etc and a way to respond if they are interested in being involved in the Friends Association.

Treasurer's Report – Mark gave an over view of the accounts for the academic year 2023/24.

Balance at start of Academic Year £15,489.90

Total income for the Year £13,903.33

Total Expenditure for the year £16,240.63

Closing Balance (29/08/24) £13,152.60

Allocated funds

Petty cash £110.00 Allocated but not spent £10,339.04

Total Available Funds £2,923.56

• Mark to talk to our Auditor about formally changing our reporting year to reflect the academic year.

Election of Officers

All officers stood down and elections were then carried out as per the Friends Association constitution.

- Friends noted that Leanne Wakerley and Sally Chilton's children will leave the school at the end of this academic year, so the Friends will need to plan a handover of the work of Secretary and Second Hand Uniform scheme.
- Harriet Jones stepped down as Chair and from the Committee. The Friends would like to thank her wholeheartedly for all of the work she has done as part of the committee and particularly as Chair over a number of years. Many of the very positive developments for the Friends Association have been down to her hard work and leadership.

Chair - Abbe Opher was elected Chair. Nominated by Harriet Jones and seconded Becky Stoddard

Vice Chair - Emily Ryder - nominated by Abbe Opher and seconded by Leanne Wakerley

Treasurer – Mark Rampton-Carter – nominated by Leanne Wakerley and Seconded by Tess Deighton

Secretary - Leanne Wakerley - nominated by Harriet Jones and seconded by Emily Ryder

• Su Madursinghe and Ruth Brown kindly agreed to support this role with a view to perhaps taking it on for the next academic year.

Second Hand Uniform – Sally Chilton

• Friends will look for volunteers to support Sally and perhaps take over for next academic year.

Easy Fundraising – Tess Deighton

• Tess kindly volunteered to take over the running of the Easy Fundraising scheme – Leanne to arrange training and transfer admin rights.

Next Meeting Wednesday 13th November – Punch House – 730pm