

Minutes of AFS AGM
Held on: Wednesday 1st March 2017
Venue: King Edward VI Camp Hill School for Boys
Time: 7.00pm

Those in attendance were:

Martin Garrod - Honorary President	Rupert Connolly - Buyer
Safina Kusar-Ahmed - Chair	Shazia Qureshi – Assistant Buyer
Gwen Ezzeldin-Dugué – Vice Chair	Andrea Santer
Charles Wood - Treasurer	Maryam Tahir
Max Lanham – Volunteer co-ordinator	Inderpal Bansal
Kalvinder Bansal – AFS Secretary	Karen McGuire

1. Apologies were received from:

Claire Lanham	Helen Felton
Alison Stewart	Eman Aboushadi
Wee Douglas	Margarethe & David Beckett
Indu Sethu	Ash Ahmed
Jeanette Crutchley	Joan Emanuel
Bea Pavlovic	Alison Sherwood

2. Minutes of Previous AGM held on 2nd March 2017:

The minutes for the AGM 2016 were approved by the committee.
Safina proposed and seconded by Kalvinder.

3. Matters Arising from Previous Meeting: There were no matters arising.

4. Headmaster's Report: Copy attached.

5. Chair's Annual Report: Safina Kusar-Ahmed read the following Annual Report:

Welcome everyone, and thank you all for attending this year's Annual General Meeting.

What's been happening?

In the last year, AFS Webpage has been up-dated with all the recent minutes, event schedules, as well as with some additions of photos from some of our events. Facebook has also been active for some time, and running with regular updates for AFS.

We covered many events - with our termly cake sales, selling refreshments during the junior & senior drama evenings, Chamber Concert, Sports Day, and a recent request to cover poetry and music evening, as well as selling sweets and chocolates during the quiz night which helped raise **£870**.

Our new event last year, International Evening was a success which not only raised much funds, but it also showed how we could utilise such events within the school for social interaction, and building a Camp Hill community. Therefore, if you have not yet decided to represent a country, please consider in participating and contact me as soon as possible.

There were also **£952** raised from the Camp Hill 60th anniversary with the Diamond Jubilee celebrations. We had a successful Bag Pack at Waitrose for Duke of Edinburgh; our boys were very well behaved and worked extremely hard raising **£770**, albeit the treacherous

weather. I can confirm that we have another Bag Pack to take place with ASDA in Shirley, on Saturday **29th April 2017**. We need to decide on the project for this fundraiser so that we have a clear notice for the public. Although I will still consider putting down Duke of Edinburgh, I am open to alternative options you the committee may have.

Furthermore, our help extended to the Induction Evening, 11+ Familiarisation morning, Alumni Day, Entrance Exam Morning, Open Evening & Morning, and a lovely offering at the Carol Concert. We also provided a delectable buffet to the Year 7 parents on their Social Evening and at the GCSE presentation Evening.

We are continuously active and encouraging more and more parents to be involved with AFS, in any way they can. Such endeavours have been effective with the increase of the sign up of Standing Orders; there were new forms issued last year due to change of wording on the Gift Aid declaration as required by HMRC. The Easy-fundraising commission was increased from **£396 to £658** in the last 12 months, with thanks to new parents joining the site and using this service whilst shopping online.

Everyone worked extremely hard throughout the busy year, and it was good to see some new parents helping at some of the events. Due to everyone's contribution, we have been able to, and are in the process of helping the different departments: **Frames - Art, setting up Biology Big brother, Water pumps - Chemistry, Table tennis - PE, Lighting & Fixtures - Tech team, Artefacts & Cabinet - RS, and Dofe; set up a hand writing club, purchased Rugby trophies, as well as giving aid to the Model United Nations Society to take part in a weekend conference at Joseph Chamberlain, and of course paying for The Chronicle.**

We have also received a Bursary application from Navaneeth Natarajan in year 11, who wishes to carry out some voluntary work in Chennai, India. His work will consist of teaching Arithmetic and English to 40 orphans who are HIV positive, along with full contribution towards household chores such as cleaning and preparing food at the HIV Shelter. He is currently active in raising funds to put towards buying medical instruments, tables and chairs for the shelter. However, to participate in this rewarding role during the summer holidays, Navaneeth is requesting AFS for £360 which will cover the travel costs. As per our discussion during last year's summer AFS meeting, we were all in agreement to stay with the maximum contribution of £250 per application.

Navaneeth has offered to do a presentation, sharing his experiences about the shelter during assembly in the new academic year. This is an exceptional application which could provide much inspiration and motivation for other boys to deliberate about their own personal ambitions or projects. Moreover, knowing that there is some help such as the bursary, it provides further incentive to act on a challenge or project for the boys.

Thank you to everyone who has supported us through the various schemes. This not only benefits the school enhancing the child's education, but the boys are given many opportunities through the various extra-curricular activities, helping them build life and social skills. By working together, communicating effectively and helping each other whether that's at the events or behind the scenes, only takes AFS from strength to strength. With so much happening this past year, without a doubt it is down to everyone's hard work and abundance support who gave up their valuable time to help at the various events, some at very short notice, so a big thank you to all!

A few special mentions:

Bea Pavlovic & Gwen Ezzeldin-Dugué - Thank you for being great supports as vice-chairs; always endeavouring to offer help at different events and providing various suggestions for to strengthen AFS

Kalvinder Bansal - I understand that there was a lot to learn about this role, but you have been a brilliant secretary, and have responded to my every request via calls, texts, or emails

Max Lanham - Thank you for taking on the role of Volunteer Co-ordinator, it has not been without the challenges of recruiting help for the various events, as well as receiving my endless emails and texts around the time of events; nonetheless, you have done a remarkable job

Jeanette Crutchley - You really are an integral part of AFS, responding to all our emails, requests and conducting the school communication between us and the parents. You do a lot in the background, which not everyone is aware at times, so a big thank you from the whole committee. Thank you also for doing a splendid job in organising the Annual Quiz and the diamond Jubilee alongside **Frances Evans**

Charles Wood - You have been impeccable and worked earnestly, keeping a track on all the money coming in and then distributing it wisely. Thank you for all your time, input and being objective on the way the decisions are made regarding the AFS finances.

Shazia Qureshi - Thank you for your support and helping with the shopping for our events, especially with Year 7 Social evening and the GCSE presentation.

Rupert Connolly - What could I say?! You have been such a fundamental part of AFS; your dedication has been praiseworthy, all the hard work put in with buying and keeping stock, along with planning and preparation. I applaud and thank you for all your contribution, knowledge, expertise and energy not just with the stock control, but with the whole of AFS. It is really saddening to have you step down today after so many years. End of an era.

A special thank you to **Sallyann Bourne**, you have been fantastic in recruiting the boys for the Duke of Edinburgh Bag pack, and doing all the hard work for AFS.

Thank you to **Graham Spalding** for doing a brilliant job in hosting the Annual Quiz, and to his lovely children who helped beautifully throughout the evening.

I would also like to mention **Mr Nadeem Malik** for his generosity for donating a pool table for our 6th formers. Thank you from all the AFS committee.

My sincere gratitude to everyone who is supporting us, whether that's monetary, helping at events or coming to our meetings. Every effort, great or small is hugely appreciated, and we anticipate you will continue to support us. We also look forward to seeing more and more new faces at our events & meetings, who could eventually take on our roles to run AFS.

6. 100 Club Draw

The results of the 100 Club Draw were as follows:

Prize	Prize Money	Number Drawn	Name
1 st Prize	£88	118	Rashbinder Malhi
2 nd Prize	£53	196	Gary Dick
3 rd Prize	£35	292	Mr & Mrs John

7. Treasurer's Annual Report:

Charles Wood gave the committee a brief breakdown of the accounts.

He thanked John Woods who has confirmed the accounts as accurate.

The key points he wishes to raise:

- the income raised over the year to date is £32,255 and this is growing on a yearly basis. This is mainly down to the uptake of the standing orders over the years. The average donated has increased over the years.
- the standing orders has raised £27,000, Charles has handed over 23,000 to the Headteacher at the beginning of the term.
- Fund raising has made the top line of income raised
- £9,000 has been raised over the events throughout the year and £5,000 were spent in carrying out the events.

- Easy fundraising is picking up well and the committee felt that it should be given a mention at any upcoming events held throughout the school.
- Donations has been made throughout different departments within the school.

8. Stock Controller's Report:

The Stock Controller reported that there are less disposable plates and cutlery so may need to resort to using the dishwasher. Stock level is good but there is less juice drinks.

9. Election of Officers:

<u>Honorary Roles</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
President	Martin Garrod		
	(Headmaster)		
Elected Roles			
Chair	Safina Kusar-Ahmed	Charles	Max
Vice Chair	Gwen Ezzeldin-Dugué	Safina	Shazia
Treasurer	Charles wood	Shazia	Safina
Assistant Treasure	Indu Sethu	Safina	Max
Secretary	Kalvinder Bansal	Gwen	Safina
School Liaison Officer	Jeanette Crutchley	Safina	Kalvinder
Buying Co-ordinator	Max & Claire Lanham	Gwen	Safina
Non-elected Roles			
Assistant Buying Co-ordinator	Shazia Qureshi	Safina	Karen
Volunteer Co-ordinator	Maryam Tahir	Gwen	Kalvinder
100 Club Co-ordinator	Amanda Rogers	Safina	Charles
IT Officer	Maryam Tahir	Safina	Gwen

10. Any Other Business:

Upcoming Events:

Cultural Event: Friday 24th March @17:30 to 21:00pm - Require 9 Volunteers, helping with setting up entrance tickets, Raffle tickets for the tables, selling food from the kitchen, teas/coffees and so forth. There will be much fun with so much culture under one roof, and a great opportunity for social interaction. We currently have about 9 countries; it will be fantastic to have more nations being represented, so please do consider participating. It does not need to be your native country, you could showcase the vibrancy of a country that you just love or you enjoy visiting on a regular basis. Families could join forces to represent a country, which of course makes it easier for all involved, just like the way our French families, and the Irish families will be. The success is solely down to you, with so much support provided if need be, and we have a similar process as last year so do check the photos on our AFS webpage or Facebook to guide you. Please contact either Mrs J Crutchley or myself with details of the country you wish to represent and if could donate some food to be sold for the evening. It will be a fantastic evening, you really are in for a treat with our highlight performance by Jockey Morris group, Bollywood workshop, Egyptian Dancing and much more. Come and join us, represent your country, invite friends and families, let's make it bigger and louder than last year.

Senior Drama Production: Thurs 30th, Fri 31st March, & Sat 01st April - 5/6 Volunteers required. Selling refreshments - sweets and chocolates with hot & cold drinks over 3 evenings. The boys are extremely talented, with praiseworthy performances; you could help before the show starts, and during the interval

Date of next AFS Meeting: Wednesday 26th April at 7pm.

Safina thanked those present for attending and the meeting was adjourned at 9.00pm.