**FRIENDS OF FLITCH GREEN**

**Minutes of the FFG meeting**

**Held on Thursday 14th January 8pm**

**At Flitch Green Academy**

**Present:**

Sara Sexton Sheena Kendall

Nathan Lowe Sarah Tuck

Chris Earle

Emma Twilley

Sarah Boreham

1. **Apologies for absence**

Jenny Collom

1. **Financial Update**
Savings account £4599.03, current account £7097.92 (£3k still to go to reception playground)
2. **Outstanding items from last minutes**
3. **FGA Update**
4. **FFG Future**

It was agreed that a push to rebrand the FFG needs to happen. Initially a letter out to parents explaining the drop in events due to lack of support also asking what parents would like to see more of etc, JC and ET to draft a letter ready for next meeting. Logo competition for the children, maybe announce the winner at the leavers event, SK to speak to the Coop for a prize. A giant noticeboard to be purchased to go outside academy to illustrate fundraising/events and what has already been purchased. SB to get quotes. Organize an unveiling of the noticeboard (maybe get the logo winner to do this).

Meetings to be held every last Thursday of the month at the academy so that parents are aware of when they are and are held in a more formal environment. Possibly leaflet drop Flitch Green to encourage involvement at the school (older relatives etc) and also open the lotto up to residents.

Events to be organized by sub-committees. Each committee to be run by a member of FFG with the idea being that more parents will get involved as it is less commitment overall. If not a FFG member the head needs to come to each meeting to update. Ideas are car boots, family camping, fun run.

SB to find out if there can be a FFG tab on the FGA website.

1. **Christmas Cards**

SS looked at Cauliflower cards for this year however they only do cards and not tea towels or mugs so this needs to be looked into further.

1. **Future events**

Leavers Luau

1. **FFG Purchases**

The academy would like to change the allotment area of the playground into a ‘quiet play’ area. CE suggested running a power cable underneath for future events. SS to organize quotes.

1. **Update from School Parliament**
2. **100 Club Draw**

January – TS won £32

1. **Date and time of next meeting**

25th February 2016 – 8pm

1. **Any Other Business**

Newsletter to go out in book bags – ST to do this.

1. **Items for next meeting’s agenda**
* Someone to update the FFG website
* Future events