**Harrowbarrow PSA/AGM Meeting**

**Tuesday 23rd September 2014 – 7.30 pm**

**Harrowbarrow School**

**Attendees:**

Hannah James– (HJ) Chair

Sue Pote (SP)

Helen Dobby (HD)

Tracey Ledger (TL)

N Evans (NE)

Julie Swain(JS)

Priska Schoenborn (PS)

Julia O’Donnell (JD)

Mr Hunt

Leanne Wickett (LW)

Jo Paton (JP)

Chloe Holter (CH)

Donna Tancock (DT)

Sarah Tamburri (ST)

Judith Caboche (JC)

Karla Moorcroft (KM)

Susie Dyter (SD)

**Agenda**

1. **Apologies**

Chris Bennett

Helen Dobby

Lindy Stone

Jaycee Hughes

Mark Goodright

Beth Lynch

1. **Minutes from the last AGM**
2. **Chairpersons Report**
* Highlighting the success over the last year
* Yurt
* Nativity with the stalls, printed bags worked well. Paid for father xmas books, disco very successful.
* Sports evening went very well made similar amount although less stalls
* Carpenters Arms donations – box on the bar, bucket raised money from events
* Organised new photographer
* Changed bag 2 school to rag to school in front playground
* Thank to everybody on committee, Helen and Julie and Sue Pote. Thanks to Lucy Hughes for xmas raffle, secretaries thank you and Mrs marsh leaving and Tracy Ledger
* Suggestions over xmas – refreshments over nativity, video or record plays, xmas fair to be covered at next meeting
* Planning meetings will continue at 7.30pm –date of next meeting TBC
1. **Treasurers Report**
2. Finalised to be given to JS – very good year
3. Easy fund raising – need to push again
4. AHunt read out report from Lindy Stone – netball kits would be well received and the school did very well, county semi finalist in cricket, east cornwall league netball, area league champions, medal winners. AHunt suggested it would be nice to have HB kit to be used by different teams.
5. 33 hoodies purchased already in different sizes and an order has been placed for 10 girls skorts and 10 boys shorts and PSA have contributed along with Charles Grey kitchens.
6. Full report available from Tracy Ledger, Treasurer
7. PSA agreed £150 per class for school trips.

5**. Voting**

Hannah James to stay as Chair

Tracy Ledger to stay as Treasurer

Secretary – Judith Caboche (JD) to take over

PS names need to come off the easy fund raising.

Lisa Hartill voted back in on the committee.

Jo Paton – to take over as Vice Chair

Tracy Ledger to bring committee terms of reference to next meeting

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Mrs Marsh replacement is to be shared between Mr Hunt and Mr Goodright

**6. Headteachers report**

**PSA AGM – 23.9.14**

Headteacher’ report

**2013/14 report**

Increasingly demanding and ruthless Ofsted inspections, reduced school budgets and relentless interference from central government, including the introduction of a new national curriculum has had a significant impact upon schools. The last twelve months at Harrowbarrow School has been the most challenging time in the careers of many colleagues, but, under the unsurmountable pressure, we have been determined not to lose sight of what we value as a school community.

With the is mind, the PSAs contribution to learning experiences for Harrowbarrow pupils has been very much appreciated. The yurt has enhanced children’s outdoor learning experience, enabling them to use the forest school in all weather conditions and expand the range of opportunities for learning in this area. The archery equipment, now in use, has provided a much needed alternative PE experience for our pupils and at the same time our departing Y6 pupils generated some innovative maths games involving archery.

All the other funding contributions e.g. Christmas gift, Y6 leavers trip etc have been appreciated and enrich the lives of our young people.

As I always state, one of the most important functions of the PSA is the capacity to bring our school community together at enjoyable events which celebrate the abilities of our pupils.

**School priorities 2014/15**

Following on from our successful school improvement work to raise attainment in writing, we are targeting similar improvements in maths and boys reading.

In addition, we are implementing curriculum changes in response to the new national curriculum. We are also reviewing our programme for Spiritual, Moral, Social & Cultural (SMSC) learning in response to the government’s instruction that schools should explicitly teach ‘British’ values.

As yet, we haven’t identified ways in which the PSA can support us in our work in these areas, but we will do so should an opportunity arise.

An area we would like to progress as soon as possible is the introduction of new playground equipment for our playground store. Last term the school council identified some items which we would like to order.

Finally, I would like to thank all PSA members for their unwavering support over the last twelve months.

**Andrew Hunt**

**Future events and fundraising**

* Planning meeting Wednesday 22nd October – 7.30pm at Carpenters
* Discussions over steel sheds need pricing - Donna Tancock to investigate
* Possible disco after xmas
* Date 14th November for quiz night – teams of 4 at cricket club, callington, raffle – Donna Tancock and Julia O’Donnell details to follow
* Discussion over filming – audio CD
* Tracey Ledger – holly wreaths suggestions over after school club but needs help