

Meeting date: 07.10.2024

Attendees:	Zehra Jaffer	Headteacher. (Attended for the first 15 minutes)
	Jo Edwards	FoS Chair (y11 parent)
	Ann Hepburn	Ex-FoS Chair (y9 & 11 parent)
	Alice Modica	(y7 parent)
	Kate Bonhote	(y7 & 11 parent)
	Christina Petzny	(y7 parent)
	Annabelle Marshall	(y9 parent)
	Abi Hercules	(y8 & 10 parent)
	Michelle Caulker	(y7 parent)
	Joe Evans	(y7 parent)
	Lucy Warren	(y9 parent)
	Nora White	(y9 & 13 parent)

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Actions:

An overview of The Hub (our current fundraising focus):

Zehra Jaffer gave an introduction to the school's plans for The Hub:

The Hub will be housed within a building just across the road from SNS, next door to Betty Layward Primary School, which needs to be refurbished. The Hub will have provision to support pupils who have social, emotional and mental health challenges. There will be therapists and psychologists. It will strongly linked to the main school, not a separate unit, children will be able to use the facilities in both.

The Hub will also house vocational creative media facilities, to support these much sought after skills. It will also welcome students from other schools. The Hub will be a nationally unique offering and we are quite excited about it.

Funding has been ringfenced for the refurbishment, with Hackney council providing the major part. SNS need to raise another £50,000, which is where FoS can help.

Fundraising potential:

Quiz:

A fundraising quiz is planned for an evening in early February, to be hosted at SNS.

Joe Evans (a year 7 parent who has run great quizzes for William Patten primary school) is happy to lead on this. He suggested groups of 6. Pre-booked tables. Running a bar. To be discussed at a separate Teams meeting with Aaron Critoph (deputy head) in November. Jo coordinating with Aaron.

Annabelle is happy to help with the quiz. Others are known to be interested too.

Jo

Lottery:

Kate has brilliantly managed to set up an online lottery for fundraising for the school. Kate to put together a welcoming advert for this to send to school secretary Sophie Preedy to send to the whole school.

Kate

Online auction:

Annabelle suggested holding an online auction (a recent primary school one raised about £6,000). *[Annabelle to look into this?]*

Annabelle?

Other fundraising thoughts:

Kate suggested making a visual representation of the amount raised and the target. *[Kate to draft this?]*

Kate?

[Lucy Warren asked if we have anything like 'Easyfundraising' set up – i.e. a browser extension parents can add which generates a commission for their chosen cause when they buy things online. We don't have this and would love to. Jo asked Lucy if she could look into it.]

Lucy?

Other upcoming Stokey events:

The next event FoS can be involved in (run a stall, drum up support, raise a little money) is the Winter showcase. Probably in December, date tbc. Jo to send out requests for volunteers when date known.

Jo

Update on what we've done this past academic year:

FoS have run stalls at:

1. Winter showcase
2. Windrush Celebration
3. Community evening
4. Summer showcase

Financial update:

FoS donated £1,428 to Stokey for end of year trips, so that all kids could be included.

Amount raised this year is £316.

FoS account balance is £648.

Ann to find out from the charity commission how to submit annual FoS accounts.

Ann

P.T.O.

New roles:

We need new Trustees. We currently have Louise, Cara & Ann. The latter two would like to be released as their children have grown up and left school. We need three, so if those two leave and Jo (chair) is added, another one at least is needed.

Abi is happy to be a Trustee (and to take on a more active role when less busy later).

Ann to appoint Jo and Abi as trustees.

Ann

We also need two people to hold roles: Secretary and Treasurer.

Kate and Christina both kindly volunteered to be Secretary.

Kate was kindly prepared to be Treasurer if nobody else can be found to do it. It was agreed that a whole school call out will be sent specifically to request a treasurer – filing annual accounts is probably really easy for an accountant.

[There was a suggestion of one potential accountant, but that didn't work]

[Who will be treasurer & who will be secretary to be reviewed once the whole school call-out has been tried at least once – to be done on Jo's return from family visit in November]

Jo

Alice very kindly said she will run the FoS Instagram and Facebook. Abi suggested Alice set up a LinkedIn account too.

AOB:

Abi suggested having more meetings. Maybe one a term. Jo suggested the 2nd Monday of term (so it would be early enough to help with the quiz arrangements).

[That would be January 13th. Jo to arrange. All to please note in their 2025 diaries!]

More meeting reminders were requested.

Jo

Abi suggested having a FoS board at the school and will talk to Sophie Preedy about it.

Abi