**The Friends of Rodmarton**

**Annual General Meeting**

**Monday 10th October 2022**

Attendees

Danielle Hookham - Chairperson

Kate Williams

Matt Smith - Head Teacher

Tracey Wysocka - Secretary

Patricia Collins (via zoom) - Treasurer

Rachel Brennan (Co-Chairperson)

Natalie Walker

Andrew Kojima

Roger Peill

Penny Norrie

Alexandra Biddulph

Candida Feversham

Claire Morton (via zoom)

Donna Braude (via zoom)

Josie Aburrow-Smith (via zoom)

Davina Etherington-Smith

Christina White

Alexandra Wynn

Apologies

Bryher Grimes

Matt Smith thanked those in attendance and gave Bryher’s apologies.  Danielle passed on apologies from Binkie Peacock and Izzy Walker.

Matt Smith covered off the previous year’s actions.  All actions from the previous AGM were reviewed, accepted and signed off.

The Chair’s Report will be available on the Rodmarton School website under the Friends section by the end of the week.

Penny Norrie, Lisa Peill & Bryher Grimes are stepping down as Trustees.  Danielle Hookham, Tracey Wysocka & Rachel Brennen are stepping down from committee roles.

The Treasurer’s Report will also be available on the Rodmarton School website by the end of the week.

There is approximately £3,000 in the account following payments for the Interactive Whiteboard and Dishwasher.  The Rodmarton Raffle that is well underway and going ‘great guns’ will undoubtedly raise this balance to a wonderful level. Patricia Collins summarised the salient points of her report.

Penny Norrie asked whether a Gift Aid Claim had been actioned, which it has been to the tune of £1,167 (for the period up to 31/08/2022).

The Committee and Trustee resignations were covered off and Matt Smith thanked those stepping down and reiterated how the children benefit from the additional funds that each Friends event raises.

Election of new members - Matt Smith has had one parent interested in taking on the role of Chairperson and that is Mr Kajima.  He was voted by Penny Norrie and seconded by Rachel Brennen.  Kate Williams expressed an interest in being nominated into the role of Secretary; nominated by Tracey Wysocka and seconded by Patricia Collins, Penny Norrie & Claire Morton.  Christina White would like to take over as Treasurer, nominated by Penny Norrie and seconded by Alexandra Biddulph

Trustees – Rachel Brennen volunteered to take on a trustee role and was nominated Kate Williams nominated and seconded by Tracey Wysocka.

Candida Feversham also wished to be considered as a trustee. She was nominated by Penny Norrie and seconded by Kate Williams.

Matt Smith then moved on to questions that he had received prior to the AGM:

Questions from Bryher Grimes

‘What is happening with the Pantomime?’

Initially Matt Smith said he had been concerned about funds and the impact of doing the same activity each year and that promoting an expectation for every year.  However, he was able to confirm that a provisional booking has been made for a pantomime this year.

‘Bonkers Conkers - Is this running this year?’ Tracey Wysocka suggested that, as the current committee had decided to make a change a run a Pumpkin Decorating event instead, that it would be up to the new committee to decide on their preference. Could both events be run side by side, giving children the choice to enter one or both? Candida Feversham said that a friend of hers is an ‘expert pumpkin carver in the US’ and suggested that maybe he could do a 10-minute YouTube video for the children to watch.  New committee to decide on what they’d like to do…either or both and to engage with Candida Feversham if they would like to take her up on her excellent suggestion.

Handovers now need to be completed between the existing committee members and the new committee members.  This needs to include access to the Charity Commission website, the constitution, paperwork, forms etc.

Chairperson’s handover is booked for 13th October, Secretary’s and Treasurer’s handovers are booked for 17th October.