

Great Ellingham Primary School  
Parent Teacher Association (Friends of Great Ellingham School)  
Registered Charity No: 1043484

**Annual General Meeting**

Thursday 20 April 2023

**Minutes**

**In attendance:** Cheryl London (Chair), Claire Blyth (Treasurer), Hannah Jones (Secretary), Julie Dekker (Head Teacher), Lesley Ives, Lindsay James, Katie Thomas, Tori Mill

<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies were received from Joanne Holdom, Emma Grant, Vicki Bell, Jessica Jackson, and Gemma Olive
<b>2.</b>	<b>Minutes of last AGM – 6 May 2021</b> Only item raised was regarding variance in the accounts – noted under Any Other Business in the minutes the cause and the rectification.  Minutes were approved.
<b>3.</b>	<b>Chair's Report</b> The Chair started by thanking the committee members for their hard work and commitment without which we wouldn't have had the success of the last year.  Chair thanked the parents for their ongoing support, FoGES appreciates that times are hard at the moment so every penny donated or spent to attend an event is really appreciated and goes towards supporting the school in delivering extras that the children enjoy very much.  Finally Chair thanked Mrs Dekker and the team of staff at the school, FoGES really do appreciate their support and help.  Other the last year the biggest fundraiser was the sponsored fun run, and we look forward to running another one in May, which will hopefully be as well supported.  It was lovely to be able to offer the children a disco and the feedback was really positive. The next disco will be at the end of the school year.

	<p>We hope to continue another successful year of fundraising with events planned including Movie Night, dress down days and sports day refreshments.</p> <p>FoGES have been able to fund many coaches for the various trips the children have taken this year.</p> <p>Chair concluded by welcoming new committee members and looking forward to continuing the great work with a great team.</p>
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Treasurer's Report</b>  Treasurer reported on the last financial year. There was income of £3078, payments made of £1477 and profit of £1601.</p> <p>Finances have paid for a number of coach trips, science books and butterflies.</p> <p>FoGES have had to start from scratch with much of the stock post covid.</p> <p>Mrs Dekker commented that where possible we are trying to share the costs of coach trips between FoGES and FoRS and ensuring the coaches are filled. The school appreciate FoGES paying for coaches for trips as this means parents only have to pay a smaller amount towards trips.</p> <p>The accounts were agreed and signed off by the committee.</p>
<b>5.</b>	<p><b>Election of Committee</b>  Gemma Olive, Vicki Bell and Jessica Jackson have resigned.</p> <p>All remaining members to stand.</p> <p><b>Chair</b> – Cheryl London to remain as Chair, with view at looking at succession planning and someone shadowing the role. Mrs Dekker proposed, Claire Blyth seconded.</p> <p><b>Treasurer</b> – Claire Blyth to remain as Treasurer, Cheryl London proposed, Hannah Jones seconded.</p> <p><b>Secretary</b> – Hannah Jones to remain as Secretary, Cheryl London proposed, Claire Blyth seconded</p> <p><b>Committee members:</b>  Katie Thomas – proposed by Cheryl London, seconded by Claire Blyth</p> <p>Lesley Ives – proposed by Cheryl London, seconded by Claire Blyth</p>

	<p>Lindsay James - proposed by Cheryl London, seconded by Claire Blyth</p> <p>Joanne Holdom - proposed by Cheryl London, seconded by Hannah Jones</p> <p>Emma Grant - proposed by Cheryl London, seconded by Claire Blyth</p> <p>Kathy Ashdown Dunn - proposed by Cheryl London, seconded by Katie Thomas</p> <p>Tori Mill - proposed by Cheryl London, seconded by Claire Blyth</p>
<b>6.</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Mrs Dekker thanked the committee for all they have done, the school really appreciates their hard work and for agreeing to all requests for funding. The committee have been a lovely group to work with and it really enhances the children's experiences at events.</p>