

Minutes of the LVS PTFA Committee

Committee Meeting

9.30am-10.30am 27th September 2024

LVS Ascot – Board Room

Committee

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Victoria Stott (Chair)	Y	Υ			
Zoe Stewart (Treasurer)	Υ	Υ			
Lindi Smit (School Liaison Officer)	Y	Υ			
Vicky Hall (Trustee)	Y	Υ			
Additional Members in attendance:	5		N.B. Committee Meeting Quorum A quorum at a committee meeting is 50 per cent, rounded up to the nearest whole number, of the total number of committee members. This applies where there are three or more committee members in post.	2	4
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P = Present A = Apologies N = No contact

Meeting Minutes	Action By

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1	Welcome: The meeting started at 9.30am and was chaired by Victoria Stott. There were no apologies.			
3.	Actions carried forward: None Minutes Approved			
	None			
4.	 Fundraising and activities for the year ahead The committee discussed what worked well in the previous academic year, and what could be done differently this time. It was noted that there are challenges for committee members to commit to major events, when volunteer resource capacity is limited. It was also noted that the ball attendance was lower in 2024 than previously and the committee had needed to push ticket sales. Feedback from parents suggested that the ball is a dated concept and is not as inclusive as the committee would like. The committee agreed that the inflatables event had been a great success and an enjoyable way to start the new academic year. Parent and student feedback was very positive. The committee decided to run the event again in September 2025 and this would be considered the main annual event. The committee agreed not to host a ball in 2025. It was agreed that when time permits, a "Spirit of LVS" summer event could be held as a collaboration between school, the PTFA and alumni. It was agreed that the following activities should be ongoing in this academic year, and VS will arrange suitable dates with CC's PA: Bag2School Non-uniform/fancy dress days Christmas books Christmas cards IJS Disco Spring/summer event The committee noted that second-hand uniform sales accounted for 50% of funds raised in 2023-24, and that we should continue to host pop-up shops at events such as sports day and inflatables day, which were very worthwhile. 	VS to arrange event dates with CG.		

5. **AOB**

- ZS asked CC if the school would like the PTFA to fund any particular projects this year. SH commented that fundraising drives can be more successful if parents have an objective in mind.
- VS to publish decision to fund esports strategy.
- CC and LS explained the school's ambitions for e-sports provision. This
 will extend academic provision for gaming, coding and AI across a range
 of subjects, exposing students to the latest technology, and keeping LVS
 Ascot at the forefront of innovation in the independent school sector. CC
 advised that PTFA funding support would help to achieve this ambition.
- The committee discussed the e-sports strategy further and agreed that
 this would be an excellent project for the PTFA to support, and available
 funds will be allocated. ZS confirmed that £938 will be ringfenced for
 allocation to IJS-specific projects, in the usual way.
- The committee agreed that, at this stage, it would not require a standalone budget meeting, but VS and CC can revisit this later in the year if required. VS would prepare a letter to publish the funding decision.

Meeting Closed at: 10.10am