

Minutes from Thomas Tallis Parents Teachers and Friends Association AGM

20 October 2021

0930-1100

The Gallery, Thomas Tallis School &
Virtually via Microsoft Teams

1. Attendance

Angie Elder, Carmit Moran, Chenique Ventura, Chihiro Gilmore, Debbie Joyce, Diane Foster, Elsa Lopez, Emma Manton, James Baker, Jo Rawlings, Jon Williams, Katherine Collinson, Kathy Moss, Matt Woodyritt, Miriam Wilkens, Natalie Telfer, Rahima Choudhury, Ruth Dobson, Sacha McArdle, Simon White, Stuart Pople, Tom Williams, Vicki Hodges

Apologies

Carolyn Roberts, Alison Henry

2. Minutes

Minutes 03/11/20 agreed with no comments.

Proposed by Kathy Moss, Seconded by Angie Elder.

View document at www.thomastallisschool.com/ptfa.html (minutes_agm_3_november_2020.pdf)

3. Chair's Report

View document at www.thomastallisschool.com/ptfa.html (PTFA Chair Report 2021.pptx)

PTFA Fundraising and Community Outreach is a two sided coin and is at the heart of all we do. We are here to be the glue between school and home, and fundraise for projects. Projects which will build the positive experiences and memories of all Tallis pupils. Every family which joins Tallis automatically becomes part of the PTFA. With over 2,000 students and the rich and varied community they represent. Everyone's contribution is valued whether it is in person or not.

TECH for TALLIS started in April 2019 - to support of pupils with limited or no access to technology at home. For more information go to <https://www.thomastallisschool.com/tech-for-tallis.html>

2nd Hand Uniform initiative started by students.

For more information go to <https://www.thomastallisschool.com/second-hand-uniform-scheme.html>

Non event fundraising There are many ways to be involved.

For more information go to <https://www.thomastallisschool.com/ptfa.html#FUNDRAISE>

4. Financial Report

View document at www.thomastallisschool.com/ptfa.html (scroll to 2021 AGM Documents / PTFA Accounts 2020-2021.pdf)

Financial Report agreed. Proposed by Debbie Joyce, Seconded by Sacha McArdle

Main fundraisers of 2020/2021

TECH for TALLIS	£6,214.00
2nd Hand Uniform	£689.00
Easyfundraising (approx)	£515.00
Other (Standing Order/DDs)	£170.00

Monies passed to Tallis 2020/2021

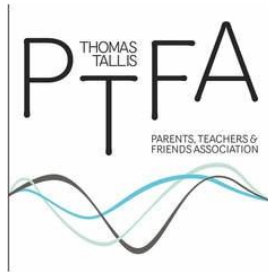
Purchase of 21 new laptops	£5,339.00
Community Garden	£1,000.00

5. Election of Officers

Chair, Angie Elder re-elected. Proposed by Cathy, Seconded by Natalie Telfer.

Teacher Representative, Tom Williams re-elected. Proposed by Angie Elder. Seconded by Ruth Dobson.

Treasurer, Stuart Pople elected. Proposed by Angie Elder, Seconded by Miriam Wilkens.



Secretary, Sacha McArdle elected. Proposed by Debbie Joyce, Seconded by Emma Manton.
Without Portfolio, Debbie Joyce - Website & Communications, and Ruth Dobson - 16+ & Tech/Website

6. Other AGM Business - Close AGM

Constitution - Virtual meetings. EGM - will be 21 days notice and online link to vote in the new constitution.

AGM Closed.

7. Open Meeting

1. Community Garden - James Baker

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50 fruit trees have been planted. More classes are now using this facility - currently primarily SEN. School aims to offer a BTEC in Horticulture. A polytunnel - found in the box will be used for growing.

Upcoming Fundraising:

- * Greenhouse / Shed replacement - removal of old shed, and purchase an installation of new greenhouse (10ft x 10ft). Estimated cost £700.00 - polycarbonate greenhouse. Will enable much more to be propagated and grown. An additional teaching venue.
- * Memorial garden - The aim would be to develop a rocky area within the community garden into memorial garden, which would be a contemplative area for both students and staff. It would be designed by students and built from oak sleepers. This would complement the mature tree to be planted in the front of the school which will be visible to everyone.

Materials:

- * Come in many ways - fundraising, donations (e.g. seed donations and wood chip from a local company).

Working Group / Volunteers:

- * We are looking for parents to run and be involved in a working group alongside Mr Baker.
- * Please contact The PTFA Team to find out more. ptfa@thomastallis.org.uk
- * One parent has volunteered their landscaping expertise.

2. RE Funding request for Astronomy & Islam program - Rahima Choudhury, Head of RE

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3. 2nd Hand Uniform

We are looking for volunteers to run this project. Please contact The PTFA Team to find out more.
ptfa@thomastallis.org.uk

Uniforms recycled and money raised from stock which would otherwise have gone to landfill. Sales take place 8/10 times a year. Stock is stored in school, and collected by the School Reception Team on our behalf.

4. TECH for TALLIS

While the reconditioning of old equipment has had to end. This successful Covid prompted initiative will continue to support students who need tech which they would not otherwise have access to.

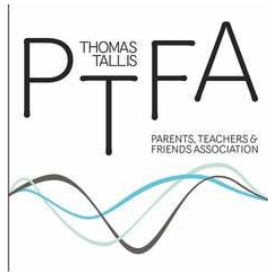
5. Community Page

TallisCommunityHub - place where parents can share information e.g. bike for sale - money for Tallis. School is looking at legality.

6. Events/Ideas

1. Games Night Y7 & Y8, Jo Rawlings, Head of Y8

- School will take the lead with publicity.
- PTFA to coordinate set up and food/drinks. Use sign up genius.
- Food - Pizza



- Bar - parent run.
- Date TBC - 15 November 2021, 6-9pm.
- Target - students and their families.
- Ticketed event - Pre-sale and on the day. Encourage pre-sale tickets to gauge core number / Guide purchase of pizza. Pre-sale via WisePay.
- Save the date for the newsletter.

2. Comedy Night

Fundraising Social Event, Jon Hicks, Y7 Parent, Performer/artist.

- This will be a variety performance.
- A piece of art will be produced which can be auctioned at the end of the evening.
- Bar - parent run.
- Popcorn and ice cream - parent or student run.
- Date TBC - February 2021.
- Acts - Parent/Jon + 3/4 professional acts.
- Possibly 1 x Teacher & 1 x Student 5min slot - TBC
- Planning meeting - Jon Hicks, Emma Manton y7 parent/actor, Angie Elder & Sacha McArdle.
- Ticketed event - price tbc.

7. Any other business

1. PTFA Social Media / Comms

We are looking for help with our PTFA social media presence. Please contact the PTFA Team if you would like to get involved or just to find out more. ptfa@thomastallis.org.uk

2. Non event fundraising drive

As always we are keen that no one feel pressured into giving. At the same time we are keen show our community how they can give if they want to and are planning a non-event fundraising drive. For more information go to <https://www.thomastallisschool.com/ptfa.html#FUNDRAISE>

We are looking for help. If you have experience and would like to help please contact the PTFA Team find out more. ptfa@thomastallis.org.uk

3. Student Council/PTFA

We are keen to work alongside the Student Council and invite them to join our meetings.

4. Bees and Apiary

Idea being investigated by Cheryl Campbell.

8. Date of next meeting

To be confirmed.