

Friends of Ballylifford

Minutes of Meeting

Date:	25 th April 2023
Time:	6pm
Venue:	Ballylifford Primary School
Present:	Brenda McIvor (Chairperson), Fiona Conway (Principal), Lee -Anne McNally, Sarah Donnelly, Emma Devlin, Claire McOsker, Margaret Ann McKee.
Apologies:	Roisin Egan, Linda McOsker, Tara Devlin, Aisling Conway Lisa Hamilton, Fiona McCusker.

AGENDA:

1. Welcome

2. Apologies

- Roisin Egan, Linda McOsker, Tara Devlin, Aisling Conway Lisa Hamilton, Fiona McCusker.

3. Current Financial Position/Bank Charges

- Current balance £505.89
- Bank fees refund request to be submitted 28.10.23 for FOB & Ballylifford PS CMcO.
- CMcO to submit query to BOI to confirm if complete new mandate and ID etc. is required to update charity status so FOB benefit from 50% discounted bank fees as a registered charity.

4. Grant Funding

- Ecospace Lottery Funding grant approved £9750. Funds credited to Ballylifford PS account. FC to progress outdoor classroom/sensory garden. Prices to be obtained for

material and cost to build vs purchasing readymade. Martin Wilson to be engaged for groundwork preparation. Support will be required from the school community to complete.

- DAERA Living Spaces and Places Grant funding credited to FOB account 06.04.23 £1101.41
- Community Foundation NI Fibribus grant approved. £2000 to be split evenly with Ballinderry Community Hub. BMcC to confirm with SL what funds can be spent on.
- MUDC – Lego Therapy grant applied for. Awaiting outcome.

5. Matters arising.

- P7 Leavers tops paid and due for delivery imminently.
- Set of table & chairs to be paid for from FOB account.
- Fiona McCusker to continue to progress Access NI checks with the Volunteer Centre. One remains outstanding. A Conway.
- 2 new policies created and approved by the committee.
 - Handling, Storage & Disposal of Disclosure Information Policy.
 - Policy on Recruitment of Ex-offenders.
 - Brenda McCusker, Chair signed the Handling, Storage & Disposal of Disclosure Information Policy.

6. Fundraising.

- Great Ballylifford Bake Off Tea Party. Held Thursday 16th March. 10.30-11.30am. Very successful event. £1170 raised.
- Movies & Munchies Night. Wednesday 5th April. Amount raised to be confirmed.
- Mini Egg tubes for Easter. FOB agreed to distribute as a gift this year.
- Colour Run – Sports day June 2023. Child sponsorship. BMcC to amend last year's form. FOB to provide Tea, Coffee & buns. FC to engage David to MC and supply music. FC to ask John to check colour powder remaining.

7. AOB.

- Amplifier donated to school by Miss Mayo's uncle. Sound problems occurred during movie night and amplifier has solved the issue.

- Mrs Conway expressed the wish to purchase a white board costing £2500. FOB approved request and will fund purchase with balance in account and Colour Run proceeds.
- CMcO suggested circulating to parents an end of year FOB newsletter detailing funds raised/Grants awarded for the current academic year and items purchased etc. We are very thankful for the support the entire school community continue to provide.