

WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING
SUNDAY 9TH JANUARY 2005 at 7.30pm
WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Kirsty Donnelly
Iain Buchan
Elaine Blue
Stephen McFeeley
Pamela Noble
Anne Marie Cockburn

Eila Roberts
Finlay McFee
Allison Battley
Denise Anderson

Apologies: Ken Roberts
Bobbie McCabe
Jenny Eaton
Michelle Barratt

Liz Canning
Pauline Pyper
Stephen Renton

Welcome

Kirsty Donnelly in the chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone for attending. The Minutes of the last meeting were proposed by Iain Buchan and seconded by Eila Roberts. Kirsty welcomed Denise Anderson to the meeting as parent group representative of Graffiti Dance Troup.

Treasurer's Report

Stephen McFeeley advised that net income this month had increased to £7,500 and confirmed that this was mostly due a backlog of regular lets which hadn't been invoiced. Stephen confirmed that the Association bank account had a balance of £26,852, although there were £4,267 open invoices, which predominantly consisted of the backlog of invoices mentioned earlier. The Association discussed outstanding invoices for regular lets and it was decided that steps be taken to recoup the monies owed to the Association initially on a fairly informal basis and would discuss again at next month's meeting and decide what, if any, steps had to be taken. Stephen also confirmed that around £2,000 was to be deducted from the cash in the bank to pay for the new floor within the Community Centre.

Letting Secretary's Report

Kirsty advised that bookings for parties were still flooding in and once again mentioned that more volunteers were needed to help with putting up and taking down the bouncy castle. Anyone available to add their name to a rota should contact Kirsty on 520738. It was confirmed again that the Association would give money to pay for new CDs for the Disco.

Secretary's Report

Elaine Blue confirmed that she would contact the School Board and look into the possibility of an additional lollipop man at the entrance to the school on Lomond Road.

Facilities Manager's Report

Iain Buchan advised that he had had a brief meeting with Ian Dyer who had confirmed that the Council would not pay for a new floor for the main hall and it had therefore been decided that the Association would pay for the new floor. The new floor had been put down before New Year and it was agreed that a quote be obtained to re-new the flooring in the kitchen, hall and toilets. Iain confirmed that he had changed the Association's contact details with Abel Alarms and that he was now the first contact in case of emergencies.

The possibility of having a computing class where members brought along their own laptops was discussed once again. It was agreed that Elaine Blue would send a letter to all user groups to gauge if this was a facility that user groups would be interested in using before going ahead any further.

Gala Day Report

Anne Marie Cockburn advised that a meeting had been arranged for 20th February 2005. It was decided that the meeting be held at 7.30pm and that wine and nibbles be offered to volunteers who came along on the night to discuss the Gala weekend. If anyone is interested in volunteering to help out at the Gala for a couple of hours and can't make it along to the meeting on 20th February please contact Anne Marie on 522988. It was agreed that a quote be obtained for drainage around where the marquee will be.

It was also decided that as the Gala weekend relies solely on donations to fund the weekend that the Association would hold a car boot sale to raise funds. It was decided that the car boot sale would take place on Saturday 9th April 2005 between 10.30am 12.30pm. Spaces will be limited to cars within the Community Centre car park and anyone wishing to book a pitch should contact Anne Marie on 522988. There will be tea, coffee, juice and home baking available within the Community Centre and the bouncy castle and beat the goalie will also be available.

Christmas Light Switch On

The Association discussed the light switch on and everyone agreed that, although the lights didn't actually switch on after the count down due to technical difficulties, that the evening was a great success. Inverclyde Council were responsible for the Christmas tree and light switch on and the Association were

responsible for the activities in the Community Centre, including the Santa's Grotto and presents for the children.

Parent Group Representatives Business

There was no business brought up by any of the parent group representatives.

Other Business

Eila confirmed that contracting work for the Woodlands Association was starting on Monday 10th January 2005 and that the work would include levelling the dead zone and creating a path. Eila also confirmed that the next rhodi bashings were scheduled to take place on 22nd & 23rd January and 19th & 20th February 2005 between 10am and 3pm.

Elia also advised that the Woodlands Association AGM was scheduled to take place on 23rd January 2005 at 7.30pm.

Next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Sunday 6th February 2005 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre.