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Minutes from the Annual General Meeting of the Bearwood Parents' Association

Meeting Saturday 18 September 2010

1.	Present C Brown P Clarke L Levy Y Dick M Probert C Collins S Spring D Munday R Clarke G Barker E Patterson R Swift R Cant O Barton S Scott J Steyn A Jain
2.	Apologies B Lake E Andrews H Cresswell G Locke T Lake D Hallows S Steed B DuGard D Green K Holt A Hallows
	Welcome L Levy welcomed all those attending and approved the minutes from the last meeting.
3.	Treasurer's report (in full below) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• T Malins presented her report and said that the year had been a good one financially. The committee had organised more events than in the previous year and this impacted on finances. Accounts attached.• The current account has a balance of £10797.00• The reserve account £9547.00• NNS £5848.00• Total net assets of £24186.00.• A letter from Help the Heroes, thanking the BPA, for their donation was read out.• T Malins said that the car show generated the biggest profit of the year.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The chairman explained the motivation for the £500 donated to the various houses. <p>L Levy thanked T Malins for the tremendous work she has put into the BPA and in her post of Treasurer.</p>
4.	<h3>Election of Officers</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Treasurer: G Barker. C Collins proposed and seconded by Y Dick.• Chairman: L Levy. S Spring proposed and seconded by Y Dick• Vice Chairman: B Du Gard M Probert proposed and seconded by E Patterson <p>Secretary: L Levy advised the committee that the two secretaries would not be available for re-election. Any interested volunteer was asked to contact the chairman.</p>
5.	<h3>Chairman's Report (in full below)</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The chairman presented his annual report: The committee were thanked for their hard work in a most successful year.• Charitable status: By law the BPA needs to register as a charity. L Levy proposed the committee adopted the NCPTA model constitution. The committee were asked to vote on which model to adopt. Details were circulated prior to the meeting and there was a unanimous vote to adopt Option 1 which is as follows: <i>To change the constitution and register as a charity over the next two months with the support of the National Confederation of Parent Teacher Associations.</i> G Barker to complete the application form.• L Levy told the committee that the events planned for the forthcoming year are as follows: Fireworks 7 November Christmas Market 4 December Burn's Night 29 January Car Show 11 June• Other events under discussion are: Sponsored walk for the Organ Appeal Wine Tastings Quiz nights Summer ball Opera evening• L Levy and the committee would like to welcome any volunteers to assist with these events and who would like to attend. <p>The meeting closed at 11h00.</p>



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Treasurer's report

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT	YEAR ENDING 31 August 2010			YEAR ENDING 31 August 2009		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME						
BEARWOOD COLLEGE SUBS			4069.00			2554.84
NET INCOME FROM EVENTS						
FIREWORKS NIGHT	-562.70			1519.49		
WINE TASTING	332.13					
XMAS MARKET	383.15			701.01		
BURNS NIGHT	939.88			530.29		
SUMMER DANCE	474.78					
CARSHOW	1567.06					
QUIZ	276.92		3411.22			2750.79
NET INCOME NEARLY NEW SHOP			1772.14			1319.75
SUMMER DANCE 2007 PAYMENT						
BANK INTEREST RECEIVED			6.70			100.93
TOTAL						
TOTAL NET INCOME			9259.06			6726.31
EXPENSES						
Throwers Signs - Signage		112.70				
Louise Weald -gazebos/book marks		181.68				
Leon Levy - banner		134.65				
Cheque - Dugard Cables/lighting/duct tape		148.37				
Cheque - Leon Levy- tables/urn		201.09				
Cheque-Thrower Signs repair		69.00				
Cheque - Thrower Signs		87.40				
Sodexo Catering Recharge for Meeting		14.00				
Cheque - Karen Holt hangers		5.96				
NCPTA Direct Debit 1st payment		103.00				
Cheque - Tracey M PC tiin		8.00				
Chris Collins - keys for new BPA home		5.98				
Leon Levy - printer, wine, keys etc		446.12				
Bob Dugard - wood for BPA notice board		15.94				
Sal Spring - Stationery		118.96				
Reclass Feb-10 Sodexo Catering Charge		5.40				
Sodexo Catering March-10		10.80				
2THRSI R34140 12111 BPA Signage Inserts		155.10				
Bob Woolmers - Table Tennis Table		575.00				
Axworthy - 1/3rd Rotivator Hire for Ampitheatre		17.34				
Pot Black Eight Ball		425.00				
50% PA System - Barclaycard		145.00				
1QUINS R33590 Recover Pool Table		239.00				
OBEECA R35208 Polo Shirts		250.10				



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MTL Leisure - Pop-up Gazebo		698.75				
TOTAL EXPENSES		4174.34				5603.31
CURRENT YEAR SURPLUS INCOME/EXPENDITURE		5084.72				1123.00

Chair's Report 18 September 2010

Last Year – 2009 to 2010

The Bearwood Parents' Association (BPA) has just completed another year of successful fundraising and social events. Our mission is to bring together parents, teachers and local community members to help everyone get to know each other and to run events using the fantastic facilities at the College. Any money raised from these events is used to provide additional resources and equipment that they hope will help to enhance your child's experience here at Bearwood.

This year the focus has been on improving life in the 'Houses' with the BPA funding new televisions, a table tennis table and table football game, plus the recovering of the existing pool tables. Further funding was supplied to the CCF/D of E for new tents and funding has just been agreed for a heavy-duty gazebo for the Hovercraft Team, who are competing in the World Championships this year – we wish them good luck.

The BPA committee is made up of a group of parent volunteers that work very closely with the College and relies on the continued support of parents, teachers and, of course, the scholars - all of who give their time graciously and willingly.

This year has seen some very successful activity. The autumn Wine Tasting was very well attended and this was closely followed by the Fireworks Spectacular, which lit the sky for miles around (keep Sunday 7th November free for this year's rockets and bangers!).

Also, cast your mind back to December, where a bustling and fragrant Christmas market took over the billiard room, library and picture gallery. This was followed by a lively Burns' Night Supper in January, where pipers were piping, ladies were leaping and a haggis was duly stabbed - in line with tradition. Not to mention the ode from the laddies to the lassies (AND their acerbic reply!).

The Bearwood Car Show, held in April, was a triumph! We probably could not have imagined that North Court would ever see an F1 Lotus taking a spin on the tarmac but it was a sight to behold. Not to mention the Corvettes, Morgans, VW Campers, vintage Capris and numerous other legendary marques that adorned every available inch of the grounds; all lovingly cared for by their devoted owners. A special mention must go to Bob DuGard and the BPA car show team for their flawless organisation of the event and we are all looking forward to next year's show with fervent anticipation.



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The competitive amongst us were given a chance to shine at May's quiz night by answering dastardly difficult questions whilst enjoying a fish and chip supper.

But the jewel in the BPA crown this year was the magical Midsummer Ball, held on Saturday 26th June. It started with Pimms, then a delicious three-course meal and dancing to an excellent live band, Left of the dial.

Finally, thank you to all of the BPA volunteers who willingly give up their time to help, whether it be serving cream teas, laying tables, directing traffic or selling tickets.

This Year – 2010 to 2011

Charitable Status

By law we need to become registered as a charity. To make this easier we should adopt the NCPTA model constitution and then submit our application. Today we need to vote on this, please see separate documentation that has been supplied. I commend you all to vote for Option 1 as described below:

1. To change the Constitution and Register as a charity over the next two months with the support of the National Confederation of Parent Teacher Associations (NCPTA).
2. Cap our fundraising at £4,900 and if we look to be raising more than that we will not hold any more events.
3. Disband the BPA and families make direct donations to the school.
4. Become a Limited Company that is subject to income and corporation tax.

Events for this Year

We already have the following events in plan:

- Fireworks Sunday 7th November
- Christmas Market Saturday 4th December
- Burn's Night Saturday 29th January
- Car Show Saturday 11th June

We'd also like to run a Sponsored Walk fund raiser for the Organ Appeal and will run more Wine Tasting and Quiz Nights if there is sufficient demand. We also need to decide if we are going to run the Summer Ball again.

We would welcome any volunteers who wish to help with any of these events and also, of course, would love to see you attending the events and enjoying yourselves at them with your friends and family.

Volunteers

We are always looking for people to help out, there are a number of ways you can do this including becoming a Year Representative to liaise between the BPA and the parents in your year group, helping at the events themselves, being on an event planning sub-committee, organising an event and even putting your name forward for one of the four key posts, Chair, Deputy Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.



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Funding Targets

We don't currently have one large target but are planning to encourage the Scholars to submit their requests Dragon Den style so that we can be sure we are funding items they will really appreciate.

Leon Levy

Chair

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