



MINUTES

Old Cryptians' Club

Tuesday 16 October 2018

Present

Jason Smith, Chair (President), Adam Ashby, Mike Beard, Richard Briggs, Richard Browning (ex-officio), Nick Dyer (Headmaster), Peter Hobbs, Duncan Miller, Nino Pelopida, Eric Stephens, Bob Timms, Helena Cornish (Secretary).

Apologies

- Richard Brooks, Charlie Hannaford, Steve Knibbs, Steve Mace

Minutes of Meeting held on 21 May 2018

- Minutes as received were accepted

Matters Arising

- none

Headmaster's Report

- The Headmaster reported very good exam results for 2018, bucking the national trend
- Currently, 1005 students on roll, an increase of 50 students with 300 in the 6th Form
- The 50 girls in Year 7 have settled in well. Interest from girls for the 2019 intake is encouraging
- The new pavilion opening is in April/May 2019
- The school have put in a £2m bid for a new building comprising 11 new classrooms and 6th Form facilities as part of the government's £250m schools grant
- The school is providing Maths support to Gloucester Academy and encouraging GA students to apply to Crypt School 6th Form if they meet Crypt School criteria
- The free school's budget has shrunk so plans for a new primary school on site is on hold. Instead, Crypt School will sponsor primary schools which are poorly achieving

Nick Dyer left the meeting

Treasurer's Report

- The Treasurer's Report was presented by the President in Rich Brooke's absence (see attached reports)
- Richard Briggs is still awaiting payments from members for Founders' Day - £150 outstanding
- Founders' Day made a loss due to reduced numbers attending

Action - Treasurer to produce a budget for the committee for planning annual events

Action – President to make enquiries as to why £515 is owed by debtors

OCC Data Protection Policy

- Adam Ashby reported that the Data Privacy Notice is in place on the website

The Cryptian

- Jason Smith reported that there was little progress regarding the publication of the next Cryptian. He had met with Bill Armitage who is keen to support the publication but Bill's list of requirements to carry out the job cannot be supported by the school

Action – Jason Smith to arrange a meeting with Sue Wales to discuss a way forward and encourage the journalism club to get involved

- Richard Briggs has a contact for Jason Smith for producing and printing the next Cryptian

AGM and Reunion Dinner 2019

- The next AGM and Reunion Dinner is planned for 23 March 2019 at St Mary de Crypt. Jason Smith has arranged for the venue to be checked for suitability before confirming venue
- Peter Hobbs suggested the dinner menu might replicate the very first dinner of the OCC. This could be located in Gloucester Archives

Action – Peter Hobbs to email archive references to Jason Smith

- Jason Smith has already booked musicians for the evening and Steve Mace has the prices for SW Catering

Discover DeCrypt Project/School History

- As Trustee, Richard Browning presented an interesting report on behalf of the Discover DeCrypt Project (see attached)

Centennial Bursary Fund

- Following an earlier meeting of Trustees of the Centennial Bursary Fund, Richard Browning updated the committee (see attached report)
- It was agreed to set up an online fundraising site for the bursary fund

Action – Adam Ashby to research free online fundraising sites

Membership

- A report from Richard Briggs had been circulated before the meeting (see attached)
- Richard Briggs is keen to encourage email correspondence rather than by post and suggested an email to all members once a year when subscriptions are due

Website and Communications

- Adam Ashby reported that news is uploaded to the website as and when it comes in. He is also trying to archive old OCC news

Future Events

Cenotaph Parade

- Nino Pelopida has 18 tickets to be divided 50:50 with the school/OCC.
- **Action** – Nino Pelopida to contact Sue Wales to organise lifts

Founders' Day 2019

- Founders' Day 2019 – Wednesday 19 June
- The venue for next year's Founders' Day should be at the Schoolroom at St Mary de Crypt
- Richard would welcome support/help to collate tickets, collect monies and share duties on the night
- The raffle for the Bursary Fund was disappointing this year; the President offered to promote it next year
- Richard Briggs wishes to hand over the organising of the Founders' Day event after 2019

Annual Golf Match

- This year's golf match was won by a new winner who beat the President!
- Eric Stephens and Bob Timms are happy to organise the 2019 annual golf match which is on the morning of Wednesday 19 June 2019

Any Other Business

- Peter Hobbs enquired about the sales for Charlie Hannaford's publication of History of Crypt School – report back next meeting
- Mike Beard has not received his copy yet – Jason Smith has some copies left so will post one to Mike
- The Carol Service is at St Barnabas Church on 20 December.

Action – Richard Browning to ask Mike Nuth to give the reading at the carol service on behalf of the OCC and the Citation at School Remembrance.

- The President will lay a wreath at the Remembrance Service on 9 November

Date of Next Meeting

- **Wednesday 16 January at 6.00pm** at Crypt School

Committee Actions

OCC Treasurer

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The 'Cryptian'

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AGM and Annual Dinner 2019

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Centennial Bursary Fund

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Cenotaph Parade

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Helena Cornish OCC Secretary

25 October 2018