

# **Cedar International School PTA**

## **AGM Meeting Minutes 3rd December 2014**

**Present: Dave Pettigrew, Rochelle Green, Julie Reich, Jeanette Forte, Scott Crawford, Peter Clark, Jane Fraser, Celiah Bunsie, Mark Forte, Nancy Pascoe, Sue Morris, Valentina D'Antonio, Jenny McConnell.**

Apologies: Laurie Clark, Sam Pierce, Eureka Kirk.

- Call to order 6pm.
- Dave welcomed everyone and described the work and function of the PTA (Independent body with close working relationship with teachers).
- Scott thanked PTA for all their efforts this year, especially in stepping up to spearhead the gala. Discussed great success of new events this year such as teacher and new family welcome days.  
Discussed upcoming and recent school events. Culture week and next years Travel Program which has some new and exciting trips as well as popular ones from previous year. Assembly on the 17<sup>th</sup> December for students to get information to digest over Christmas break. School hopes to introduce an exchange program in the fall of next year and are working with some Spanish IB School's. New development officer has been approved to start work on a six-month trial. He will work closely with Peter to improve outside/international investment in the school. Looking forward to the development of the new land. Exciting things happening in sports program. New UEFA A soccer coach, Cricket net and team, Sailing, Rugby and plans for an Internal track meet. Improvements to facilities, curtain boxes, painting, TV shutters etc.
- Mark described board as a mix of both parents and interested outside parties. They listen to feedback from the community and hope we have a solid family and faculty base. Thanked the PTA for their input and thought they complimented the work of the board. Board working on several projects. Potential to purchase adjoin land to the existing piece. Looking for ways and investment for the purchase not to effect school fees by using capital finance. Board looking ahead and have 1,3,5 and 10 year plan.
- Rochelle introduced financials. Sue asked what are the best profit events. Book fair. Dave said we are not just about fund raising also helping the community.
- Nancy said in that in her experience for fund raising for the Humane Society alcohol sales was always a good profit item. School can obtain temporary license. Discussion about school policy on no alcohol on premises.

- Jeanette asked if we could focus on a way of including Virgin Gorda kids a bit more. Adjust club times to fit in better with ferries. School trying there best to get every kid a lift to and from ferry dock. School is not allowed to use school bus on a regular scheduled route as goes against government taxi regulations. We need to try and think of some solutions to help existing VG students and encourage enrollment of younger children. Jane suggested a PTA event on Virgin Gorda.
- PTA members presented Dave with a leaving gift for his time as President.
- ELECTIONS – Dave is stepping down as President. Rochelle is assuming President role. Jeanette will remain as Vice President. Julie will take over Rochelle’s role as Treasurer. Sam Pierce will remain as a council member . Jane Fraser will remain as High School representative. Two new appointments, Sue Morris as Secretary and Valentina D’Antonio as a council member. Celiah Bunsie will consider role as Primary Representative.
- Meeting closed 7.30pm