

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018

11th September 2018 8pm

Present: Committee members, parents, members of parish council.

Apologies : Kraken Yu

Agenda:

Chair Address & Report

Parish Council Address

Treasurer report

Voting in new officers

AOB

1. Chair Address/Report:

- Noted a successful year in 2018, the challenge in 2019 is to continue on that success. It was noted that the youth club hours had dropped to about 4 hours towards the end of last year, however there were periods when more activities were running. And over the course of the year this adds up to a significant amount. The success of the summer project was noted. The success of rostering parents was also noted, as well as the continuing challenge of getting parents garda vetted, The community spirit was also noted as a significant indicator of success of the BPYC, all members agreed.
- Catherine Sturgeon noted that Kraken Yu had sent apologies and unfortunately could not attend. Catherine thanked Kraken and Deirdras work as co chairs during the year and their efforts in relation to BPYC.
- Also stepping down are Christine Desmond, Martina Fitzpatrick and, Siobhan Keegan. Catherine thanked all committee members for their energy & commitment to the youth club, in particular Christine for her efforts in the Summer Project this year, Siobhan for continued commitment to activities & care of the club during the year and Martina for keeping the accounts in order. All present at the AGM expressed their gratitude to the committee for building such a successful club over the last 3 years.
- Catherine Sturgeon thanked Brian Hegarty for his generous time & effort in painting the youth club hall for free as a gift to the community last year. It has given the youth club a much needed refresh.
- Also noted was the death of Dessie Murphy during the year, who was a stalwart and much loved familiar face around the youth club since the very beginning and whose presence and support to the youth club will be greatly missed. Rest In Peace.
- The committee also thanked Dun Laoghaire Rathdown, the Parish Committee and Tesco for continued support during the year.
- The Committee also thanked the Community Centre for replacing the notice board on our behalf during the year,
- It was noted that the wrap around service was now operating in the morning from the youth club, but this is not linked with the youth club activities.
- Aims at the AGM last year were:
 - We now want to build a sustainable youth club that can be run for many more generations. We started early and will continue to match the school



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term as much as possible. Getting parents vetted and trained is the most significant challenge we face.

- Continue to embed the values of community and volunteerism and value for money.
- Maintain our lovely old building.
- Continue to document our knowledge and learnings for following committee members
- Run another fabulous summer project
- Thanks to
 - All the members and parents.
 - Dessie Murphy who volunteered week in and week out when he was able to.
 - Our teachers, Evelyn, Duane, Johnny, Tony & Daragh of Birdie Golf Academy, Danielle Neville of Warchest for Pokemon Card Club and Christine for running the Creative crafts/Lego class. Siobhan Keegan, Emma Cahill & Jane Conway for volunteering & leading throughout the year.
 - Boosterstown Parish, Fr Cormac & Gerry, Therese, Michael Semple, Kieran Buckley and Marion Simpson
 - Boosterstown Community Centre
 - Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council
 - The schools
 - The Community at large
 - The weather for the Summer Project (the best yet!!)
 - "Old " friends of youth club
 - The current committee
- Plans for 2018/19
 - Continue that success
 - Look at introducing new activities rotating on a 6 week basis.
 - Maintain the member numbers and grow them.
 - Keep pressure up for Garda Vetting.

2. Parish Council Address

N/A

3. Treasurer Report

Financial report presented by treasurer. Points raised re the report:

- Summer Project was again the most expensive item in the year, the project broke even this year with significant savings being made on items such as buses.
- Church gate collection was best fundraiser and shows the level of community support to the project.
- Martina thanked the generosity of the parish committee who made a generous donation towards the summer project & towards payment of bills.
- Proposal to ask boy's school to contribute to utilities bills. This has been discussed during the year and is still ongoing, the committee expect this to resolve this year.

- Noted that the accounts still operate by cheque payment. Electronic payment to be brought in.
- grant was received- Dublin and Dun Laoghaire Education and Training board
- Report acceptance proposed by Emma Cahill seconded by Catherine Sturgeon.

4. Voting in New Officers

New committee members Lisa Morris, Sinead Fitzpatrick, proposed by Catherine Sturgeon, seconded by Emma Cahill. More committee members are welcome to join. Catherine Sturgeon noted that the youth club cannot function without a minimum number of committee members, if it is to continue to operate. We are still looking for volunteers to help if anyone feels like giving even a small amount of time!!

5. AOB

5.1 Supervision & Participation. Broad ranging discussion was held:

- New activities are being introduced, such as basketball and drama following their success on the Summer Project.
- Activities will change during the year.
- Jewellery making and fashion crafts will run from mid term to Christmas as well as possibly Gaelige & Games.
- The importance of the group effort was emphasised, parents must become Crosscare Garda Vetted & children first trained, forms are all available on the website. The classes can only run if everyone contributes time to supervise.

5.2 Attendance at AGM was noted as good compared to last year. The AGM was held sufficiently early enough this year along with the sign up night and good communications ensured people were aware of it.

5.3 Links with the girls school was noted as important.

Meeting Closed.