Minutes of Stocks Green School Association AGM

8.30pm, Monday 19th October 2026, Via Teams

1. **Present**: Rebecca Fawcett, Emma West, Sarah Mills, Nick Kempton, Nancy Mansfield, Karen Jarman, James Major, Rania Strathpoulou, Gemma Johnson, Clare Lockwood, Emma Lesser, Sarah Major, Sarah Charlton, Johanna Brown, Rachel Brooker, Ben Wilding, Joshua Grove, Joshua Doyle, Kieran Prior, Helen Pavitt, Sian Donovan, Sana MacDonald, Peter Hipkiss, Charlotte Ovenell, Julie Altomstone, Rob Mansfield, Anahita Bishop, Mark McCarthy, Joss Johnston, Daniel Payne, Tasos Stogiannis, Lucy Gabriel, Francois Touzard, Chiora Dandolo, James Pavitt

2. **Apologies for absence** – None

3. **Matters arising from the minutes of the last AGM** – None

4. **Introduction from Chair Rebecca Fawcett (Bex)**

   Bex expressed gratitude to all PTA members, parent volunteers, Mr. Hipkiss and Mr. Till for all their hard work over the last year.

   Bex confirmed that she will remain in position as PTA chair for one more year, with Emma West staying as Secretary and Sarah Mills as Treasurer. All three will step down from the PTA Committee at the next PTA AGM on completion of their three-year terms.

   We have 6 members who are stepping down this year after their three-year term: James Major, Karen Jarman, Nancy Mansfield, Clare Lockwood, Gemma Johnson and Jo Brown.

   The PTA will welcome seven new members this year, with their formal election taking place later in this meeting.

5. **Chair Rebecca Fawcett delivered the chair's report for 2025/26**

   Bex shared details of another successful year of events and fundraising for the school.

   We ran the third Stocks Fest bringing the community together for an afternoon of music and activities. Bex thanked everyone who was involved in making the event a success including Ken Till for organising the music, The Griffin family for building a BBQ and providing hay bales, Joshua Grove for kindly providing his inflatables for use at the event, and the eighty parent volunteers who helped out on the day.

The Christmas Fair was also a fantastic event with an incredible Santa's Grotto experience, along with lots of games and fun for the children.

The new PTA team introduced several new events this year including Quiz Night, Easter Smarties and Crazy Hair Day.

Thanks to previous years' fundraising, we were able to fund a number of key projects, equipment and initiatives. Highlights included the new PE shed, classroom resources and new books, Cloud and IT infrastructure, Mighty Writer and Dandelion Phonics, playground upgrades, stationery and Year 6 leavers' books

Thanks to last year's efforts, the PTA will be providing close to £20,000 to the school this academic year to fund various upcoming projects and priorities to be agreed with headteacher, Mr. Hipkiss.

Bex confirmed that the year ahead will see the return of all events from last year including Quiz Night, Crazy Hair Day, School Disco and the Rainbow Marathon. Bex presented the calendar of events for the year which includes the usual Cake and uniform sales, as well as the Christmas Fair and Stocks Fest. The PTA started the year on 6th September with a new event where a team of teachers and parents took part in the annual Tonbridge Dragon Boat Race. This was another wonderful community event with many families from school coming along to support the team and substantial sponsorship was raised.

Bex re-iterated her thanks to the PTA Committee team, whose hard work and commitment means the Stocks Green PTA continues to grow from strength to strength.

Bex hands over to Sarah Mills for the financial report.

6. Treasurer Sarah Mills delivered a preliminary financial report on 2025/2026

The report is for the period 1st September 2025 to 31st August 2026.

The most profitable event this year was Stocks Fest (£5,896.71 profit), followed by the Christmas Fair (£4,660.08) and then the Sponsored Marathon (£2,682.97).

The PTA funded various school projects; including a new PE Shed (£3,492.00) and Cloud 3, Phonics KS1, Geography Software (£3,012.35), Classroom resources (£6,000), Water trough/outdoor sink (£513), and a Pantomine for the whole school.

Overall, the PTA raised £34,611.62, with a profit of £20,324.88 and on the 31st August 2026 had a closing balance of £32,013.46

Sarah notes that £8,480.99 was spend agreed in the financial year 2024/25 but fell into the 2025/26 financial year.

Sarah also notes that some costs and sponsorship for the Dragon Boat Race occurred in 2025/26 year, although event was in 2026/27 year.

Please see the Treasurer's Report 2025/26 PowerPoint for more details (which will be saved on the PTA page of the school website after the AGM).

7. The following new members were elected to the committee:

   Ben Wilding, Joshua Grove, Joshua Doyle, Kieran Prior, Helen Pavitt, Sian Donovan and Sana MacDonald.

   The PTA committee going forward after the AGM will have 16 members; Bex Fawcett, Emma West, Sarah Mills, Nick Kempton, Rania Strathpoulou, Rachel Brooker, Sarah Charlton, Emma Lesser, Sarah Major, Ben Wilding, Joshua Grove, Joshua Doyle, Kieran Prior, Helen Pavitt, Sian Donovan and Sana MacDonald.

8. Headteacher thoughts:

   Mr. Hipkiss extended his thanks for all the hard work the PTA does. PTA funds are vital but even more so with current funding within education, so he is extremely grateful. He has lots of ideas to share with the PTA for future funding for the school.

9. Any other business:

   None