

SKAMPS AGM WEDNESDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2021 at 7.30pm on Zoom

AGENDA

- 1. Appointment of Chair for the AGM.**
 - 2. Nomination and Election of Trustees.**
 - 3. Minutes of AGM held on 12 November, 2020.**
 - 4. Matters arising from the Minutes.**
 - 5. Executive Committee Report – Rob Harvey.**
 - 6. Treasurer’s Report**
 - 7. Music Department Plans.**
 - 8. Skamps Plans.**
 - 9. Correspondence.**
 - 10. AOB.**
 - 11. Date of Next AGM.**
 - 12. Date of Next Meeting.**
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Minutes of Meeting held on 30 September 2021 at 7.30pm, on Zoom

Present: Rob Harvey (Chair), Mary Donaldson (Secretary), Abi Adams (Head of Music), Wendy Martineau, Linda Brown.

Apologies: Lorraine Fowler, Sue Lange

- 1. Minutes of meeting held on 10 June- agreed.**
- 2. Matters arising -see below**
- 3. Finance**

The balance is now **£1,895.23**. Many thanks to Irene Whiting and Moya Ayling for their generous donations towards the cost of saxophones for the new “Trailblazers” scheme. Rob’s request to the Community Forum for £500 for the purchase of instruments for “Trailblazers” was refused. We still have no Treasurer but our last treasurer, Jackie Stringer, has extremely kindly agreed to prepare the Treasurer’s Report for the AGM and deal with the Annual Return for the Charity Commission.

4. Music Department

It is great that the school now has Natasha Bennett, the new part-time music teacher. “Trailblazers”, the new Beginners’ Orchestra, is a very exciting initiative set up by the Cathedral Schools Trust (CST) and has so far has attracted about forty-five students. CST will be funding the purchase of most of the instruments but SKAMPS will be paying for saxophones. Andi is asking St Katherine’s for a maintenance budget to support the Scheme, and also an Admin budget for Abi. There is a huge amount of admin involved which Abi is currently doing.

There will be no Christmas show this year and any musical Christmas event is dependent upon the Covid situation.

Music is now in a much stronger position. Abi is in weekly contact with Andi Nicholls, Head of Music at CST, and has long term support in the partnership with CST

and Trinity, the third secondary school in the Trust. Hopefully there will also be ICT support.

5. SKAMPS

Farewell and many thanks to Mary for all her work as secretary for SKAMPS over many years and also to Nicky Sharpe and Wendy Downer who have been great members of the committee for several years.

There was much discussion about the future of SKAMPS. Rob said that CST has fulfilled many of our ambitions in the new opportunities it is offering to students in terms of learning and performing and encouraging the school to provide more resources for music, including an additional real music teacher, Natasha Bennett! We are dedicated to supporting “Trailblazers” and Andi is keen for our support regarding maintenance of instruments etc.

Linda proposed that we don’t change what we do this year and take our lead from Abi regarding our future next year.

Wendy said it was difficult to recruit new members to SKAMPS with the pandemic restrictions on public performances.

We agreed that we should see what new enthusiasm emerges from the group in the coming months.

7. DATE of NEXT MEETING : AGM Wednesday 10 November at 7.30 on Zoom.