

PYM Trustees Meeting: 24 November 2023 @10am, Grey Barn

Present

Tim Arnold, Joan Ingarfield, Jay Buckle, Richard Brown, Dilys Thomas, Beth White

- 1. **Welcome** Tim welcomed everyone to the meeting
- 2. **Apologies** There were no apologies
- 3. **Minutes of last meeting held on 8 September 2023** were approved and signed by Tim

4. Matters Arising

- 2c) Richard's 'Mission' statement for the PYM strategy is now on the Home page,in the 'What we do and Why' box and also under 'Resources' followed by PYM Policy Documents.
- 2d) a table of teachers has been prepared for each school and includes points of contact/teachers. This is on the website under 'Friends & Sponsors' and then PYM Admins, (only available to PYM trustees). Richard asked if a spread sheet could be prepared of all the information which he could show the friends and sponsors. Tim suggested that certain information for the funders can be found under 'News' on the website.

Richard will define exactly what he would like and Jay has kindly offered to help with the details

Joan offered to keep the list of donors up to date (private to us)

Jay suggested that forthcoming events should be under 'Home' preferably on the front page and also under 'News'

3c) On Tuesday Jay saw Pili and Matt Tarling (folk strings). There was a debrief about a previous meeting where they discussed Matt's proposal to put on a local celidh in Corfe Castle. Both PYM and DMS had agreed they couldn't put funds towards a ceilidh, but they could support Matt and another musician going into the 2 secondary schools, (years 7,8 & 9) to give a presentation on folk music, to demonstrate various types of music (jigs, reels, etc) and explain the calling system and how it connects to dancing. Cost £700. Pili agreed to write to the Purbeck and Swanage Schools and see if they would take up this offer.

Swanage Folk Festival (Martin Jardine/Chairman) will be asked to fund 1/3 of CC celidh.

Pili also mentioned that the DMS is about to finish the process of defining their terms of commissioning, by which they will work with partner organisations like PYM. It was agreed that we should submit proposals for them to consider for commissioning (ie providing financial support).

Clair McColl (head of DMS) has agreed to Pili's proposal to start a Folk Dorset initiative, following her visit to Wren Music in Devon and learning about their very successful folk programme.

- 4b) Stravinsky's L'Histoire du Soldat Joan will discuss with Emma Ormond/PAW the prospect of PAW having L'Histore du Soldat in its summer festival of 2025
- 5b) Video and Photography content Tim now has more photos and will look at replacing standard photos with our own.
- 7d) Lydia is not able to offer her services until nearer Summer 2024 when her course will allow her more time for involvement in PYM.

Contact Lydia again in February 2024

- 9) Singing Susannah has gone into all three schools
- 12b) Dilys has sent the parents' newsletter.

Dilys will prepare and send a Xmas newsletter to friends and sponsors after the PYM concert on Thursday 30th November.

Dilys will also prepare and submit another parish newsletter (Dubber, CVN and Studland)

The committee agreed with Joan's suggestion to make an annual contribution of £70 to both the Dubber and CVN

- 14a) Tim has now completed the request for all information needed for the Gift Aid Declaration online
- 14d) Bank account access has been arranged.
- 14f) PYM AGM The committee decided to hold its AGM in January or February when the accounts will be ready. The accounts will not be put online until they have been approved.

5. Andrew and Sarah Painter

The committee decided to write to the Painters to ask if, at some point in the future, they would be willing to consider being part of the PYM team.

Dilys and Jay to agree an email and send it immediately

6. Our Ambassadors

a) The committee agreed to Jay's suggestion of asking Sally Aiko Dando and her quartet to play in schools after the New Year

Jay to ask Sally

- b) not dealt with
- c) not dealt with

Liaison with the ambassadors is going well and we have plans for the future. Jay suggested having sweatshirts made with Purbeck Youth Music on the back (white lettering on black), and possibly a logo on the front.

To be reviewed at next meeting

7. Mowlem Concert – July?

Check when Caroline McCrory's dance show is booked in at the Mowlem (it could affect girls' attendance)

Book a date and let the groups and schools know

Wareham Concert – Contact Head of Music at Purbeck School, Sam Burns

Book a date and let the groups and schools know

If both venues are used then there could be 5 schools in the Mowlem concert and 5 schools in the Purbeck School concert. The ensembles will be invited to take part in both concerts.

8. Should we bring PYC under PYM umbrella?

Gabriel Fry is keen to teach PYC from January 2024. Angus is happy to accompany (normally funded by PAC). The URC does not make a charge for the use of the hall. The children have been paying £2/session each. The committee decided to allow Gabriel to start with the available funds of £300 and see how it progresses from there. For now it will not be under PYM umbrella.

Jay to let Gabriel know

9. Viney capital sum

£46,000 has been in an Instant Access Deposit account since it has been received by PYM.

The committee thought it would be beneficial to put £40,000 into a NW Building Society account with 5.5% interest.

Interest from this account would be ringfenced for the string fund as specified by Tony Viney.

Joan will look into this

There is £18,000 in the general fund account.

10. Labels

It was agreed that the present labelling of instruments is unsatisfactory.

Jay produced an example of a plastic keytag which could be attached to the instrument with a cable-tie with PYM and Jay's mobile number on it. A label with an ID number and Jay's mobile would go inside the case.

Jay to look into it and get a quote

11. Feedback Forms

Feedback forms work in principle and the information can be put onto an Airtable.

12. PYM Logo

Tim will work on the logo design

(The original and present logo will continue to be used in the meantime)

13. Continuation of Brass Quintet visits?

Corfe, St Marks and Swanage Primary have been visited by the brass quintet.

Joe will be asked to do at least another 3 more schools

14. PYM AGM – required?

AGM date to be confirmed in the New Year

15. Pili – PYM meeting invitation

Action - In future Pili will be sent an agenda and minutes of our meetings for her input

16. AOB

Joan (Treasurer) asked again for access to financial information

Jay/Tim/Joan will liaise to sort this out

It was confirmed that PILS fees from instrumental hire should go back into PILS to fund repairs etc.

17. Date of next meeting - TBC