WEMYSS BAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING
SUNDAY 25th JANUARY 2009 at 7.00PM
COMMUNITY CENTRE, WEMYSS BAY

Present:	Kirsty Donnelly	Ann-Marie Cockburn
	Elaine Blue	Janet Innes
	Iain Buchan	David Adams
	Edna McKillop	Jenny Eaton
	Bobbie McCabe	William Rice
	Michele Barrett	Alison Battley
	Joseph Craig	
Apologies:	Alex Hardie	Donna Galvin
	Lynsey Halliday	Pamela Noble
	Denise Anderson	Jill Pearson

Welcome
Kirsty Donnelly in the chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone for attending. The Minutes of the last meeting were proposed by Anne-Marie Cockburn and seconded by Iain Buchan.

Treasurer's Report
Edna McKillop confirmed cash in the bank of £28,549.26. Insurance and costs to print the Village News were among large outgoings in the last month or so. Kirsty confirmed that our Lottery and Amusements Licence requires to be paid and passed the paperwork for this to Edna. The Committee was concerned about the drop in funds over the past few months and especially given that there was no revenue coming in from the Nursery anymore – the Committee were trying to look at ways of boosting funds – especially if we wanted to try and have a pot of money to put forward if any potential extension of the Centre was to go ahead.
The possibility of setting up a small gym facility within the Centre using equipment that members of the community have lying around unused was discussed and it was thought that this needed more discussion.
It was confirmed that Kirsty would make enquiries to find out if anyone would be willing to set up a fitness class within the Centre.
It was suggested that flyers be made up promoting the hall for various different uses and advising of the slots available – this would be discussed again at the next meeting.
The Committee discussed the possibility of letting the Centre out for use on special dates, eg Christmas Day, and it was decided that this needed to be discussed in more detail.
Any ideas from anyone within the community would be greatly appreciated.

Letting Secretary's Report
Pauline Jackson was unable to attend. It was confirmed that contact details for party bookings had been changed.

Secretary's Report
A letter has been received from the two boys from the Judo Club who recently went to Belgium on a training trip thanking the Association for the donation.

Facility Manager's Report
Alex Hardie was unable to attend and an update would be provided at the next meeting.

Parent Group Representatives Business
Linzi Lynch was unable to attend tonight's meeting but had confirmed that she would be willing to be parent group representative for the Guides.

Other Business
Michele and Janet confirmed that they had spoken in great detail with the printer of the Village News in an attempt to reduce outgoings. It was confirmed that the Village News in recent months has been around the 20 page mark, purely down to the amount of text received. Given that the Village News is funded by the adverts it is not economical to continue to pay for extra pages purely down to text so it has been decided that the Village News going forward will be set at 16 pages (unless adverts increase).

It was confirmed that a Bingo machine had now been sourced. David Adams confirmed that he was continuing to look into the possibility of holding a bingo night on a Sunday night and would keep the Committee updated.

Gala 2009

It was confirmed that next year's Gala will take place on the weekend of 12th – 14th June 2009. The theme for the weekend would be Homecoming Year. It was confirmed that the company used for the marquee in past years are unable to provide us with a marquee this year. Ann-Marie confirmed that she had received several quotes for a marquee for this year and that the cost for the marquee had risen from £1,700 to £2,500. Given that the Gala makes a loss each year in any event the increased cost of the marquee will mean that ticket prices for this year's Gala may need to be increased. The Committee confirmed that they would look at this in great detail in an attempt to keep costs at a minimum.

Next Meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting would take place on Wednesday 4th March 2009 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre followed by a Gala meeting.