Minutes from General Meeting on 1st October 2015

- Present Sharon Minter, Catherine Hesmer, Paula Chapman, Emma Beardshaw
 Grace Horn via phone
- 2. Apologies Joan Hesmer & Richard Chapman
- 3. Minutes from last meeting agreed by Sharon and seconded by Emma. Sussex Community Foundation grant application was successful so Drayton Manor will go ahead, money not showing in the bank account yet.
 - Quiz evening was a success £100 was raised and a good time was had by all.
 - All Saints collection will be going ahead this Sunday 4th October with Catherine in attendance.
- 4. Catherine Hesmer left the room while item 4 was discussed. Phots to be taken at the Christmas party to give to each child by a photographer. Georgeena Hesmer has been put forward to take these. Payment for her services at 50p per photo (£25 in total) voted on and agreed by Sharon, Paula and Emma.
- 5. Meetings are always advertised in advance, members are emailed twice to notify them of meetings, agenda are on the website for all members to access. In future we will add to the email that all members are welcome to attend, and that if they wish any item to be added to the agenda and be discussed, they can email them to us if they are unable to attend the meetings.
- 6. Emma to arrange a bag packing session at Tesco Glyn gap
 We have a table at the craft fair at coast restaurant on 13th
 December. We are all making various Christmas crafts to sell.

We have a tombola at the Azur charities fair on 18th October, we will put out an advert asking for more tombola/raffle prizes end of January for unwanted gifts, and to businesses. If we have enough tombola prizes left over we will see about having a stall at Glenleigh park primary academy Xmas fair. Boots to Boots walk (Glyn gap to Bexhill town) on 21st may 2016 to raise money via sponsorship and also collections by bucket on the day.

A bingo night is t be planned for May 2016

- 7. Feedback on requested activities was given over the holidays. All suggestions were discussed, all viable options were investigated. Some are being planned but many were not feasible for our group and their needs. Knockhatch Ringo-ing has been changed. We will be doing a day trip to Knockhatch with a session of Ringo-ing included. The lottery funds have been agreed for this change.
- 8. Alton Towers/Disneyland Paris 2017/2018 sadly euro Disney is not feasible due to the logistics of booking Eurostar and payment methods etc.
 Alton Towers is a more suitable trip (similar to Drayton Manor) for an overnight stay with a day and a half entrance into the park.
- 9. Form has been submitted for the permit for bucket collecting on the sponsored walk 'boots to boots' in May 2016. We are waiting to hear before we advertise the walk.
- 10. 'One eyed jack' the magician has agreed to be a judge and provide entertainment during the interval of the talent show. We require 2 other judges. Catherine to ask Joan Hesmer if she will be a judge. Emma to ask 'Auntie Leah' to be the other judge.

11. Code Of Conduct addition:

In relation to the new law regarding smoking in cars containing under 18's we discussed the wording and decided that it was already covered by our existing wording.

To insert after 'It is our general policy that we do not give refunds' 'All payments for all activities and coach trips are non-transferable. If you book for your children and then 1 or more of your family are unable to attend, those extra spaces will be allocated by the trustees to those on the waiting list. Members cannot give spaces to anyone.'

An email is to be sent out, informing members that SKB pay up to 70% of the cost of our activities. This is thanks to our fundraising efforts. We would like more members to participate with our fund raising activities.

Big Lottery Fund has notified us of a draw for £50,000 that must be entered by 7th October 2015. We will be entering this.

12. Date of next meeting – Thursday 3rd December 7.30pm at 1 Constable way, Bexhill TN40 2UH