



ROCHESTER MATH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION SIR JOSEPH WILLIAMSON'S MATHEMATICAL SCHOOL

CHAIR (Acting): Jane Marsh

VICE CHAIR: [Joanna Killick](#)

TREASURER: [Cathy Younger](#)

SECRETARY: [Bridget Ogwezi](#)

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

of the Rochester Mathematical School Association

on the 8th September 2025 at 7:00pm, E1, English Block, SJWMS

Present: Joanna Killick, Cathy Younger, Jane Marsh, Janine Johnson, Eliot Hodges, Adam Richardson (RMSA staff link), Andy Snow, Lisa Renwick, Susan Cooper, Bridget Ogwezi, [Rachel Donoghue](#), Laura Fletcher, Charlotte Baillie, Paula Obi, Lauren Thompson, Odell Baker, Kate Rawlings, Rachel Bailey, Dele Anthony, Marie Boniface, Rhiannon Lewis, Preety Bhatia, Bud Hemachanora, Amarachi Iloh, Roman Hewitt, Matthew Angel, Adebambo Lawal-Solarin, Jenny Weber.

1. Apologies for Absence

Jo Harding

2. Minutes of the last AGM & Any Matters Arising

The minutes of the meeting held on the 9th September 2024 were held to be a true account and approved.

3. New Members

Jane welcomed the new members noting that this was the largest turnout we had in a long time.

4. Annual Report (in lieu of Chairman's report) 2024-2025

ANNUAL REPORT IN LIEU OF CHAIR'S REPORT: 2024-2025

It has been a challenging year for the RMSA. The Chair-elect resigned in November 2024 but thanks to the will of the rest of the RMSA we agreed to continue without a Chair for the rest of the academic year on the basis that we still had the other officers in position and that Jane, Janine and Jo were still happy to help, support and advise.

Unfortunately, nobody came forward to step into the Chair's position but we have successfully managed to continue our activities over the course of the year. It is hoped that we will have at least one candidate for the Chair position at the 2025 AGM.

Christmas Fayre – there were some issues with the RMSA email address that meant that there were some communication (and miscommunication) issues with stallholders and the number of booked tables were down on previous year. However, stallholders were contacted

after the event and a number of them have indicated their interest in returning in 2025. The takings and profit from the event are available from the Treasurer. 2025 Christmas Fayre is booked for Saturday 15th November.

Quiz Night – this was another successful and enjoyable evening, hosted once again by Steve. We had a decent number of teams booked in and Sandra Pyke and her team once

again cooked food for us on site. 2026 Quiz Night is booked for Friday 6th March (quizmaster and Sandra will need to be contacted nearer the time).

Foundation Day – this was a very stressful day! We had very few volunteers come forward and it made it very difficult to run certain stalls and games and, unfortunately. The ladies in the Tea Room were particularly inundated with customers and there were also issues with the SumUp machines. Fortunately, everything came together and we made a very healthy profit.

It was a very long and tiring day and there were very few of us left at the end of the day clearing up. This is something that needs to be resolved for 2026 as it does always seem to be left to very few people (some of whom have been at the school since very early in the morning) and we didn't end up leaving for home until around 6.45pm.

Other activities – throughout the year we have provided our usual support for other school events such as Year 7 Rugby/Hockey taster morning, prize givings, Open Evening, New Entrants' Evening, school concerts and school productions. These have generated a good income for use (some more than others).

We have agreed funding for a number of items around the school (see previous minutes) and have a healthy balance to use for future requests.

Jane drafted an email to parents setting out the concerns around lack of support and volunteers from the parent body and explaining that there is a very real possibility of the RMSA having to fold due to that lack of support. It was deliberately intended to be a polite but pointed message and that message has generated a number of positive responses from the parent body, to the extent that we are looking forward to seeing quite a few new faces in 2025.

Bridget also did a fantastic presentation at New Entrants' Evening and this has also generated interest from some new parents. Well done, Bridget!

Whilst not stepping up as acting Chair, I have acted more or less in that capacity since the departure of the previous Chair and hope that I have helped to guide the RMSA through this period, with the help of Janine, Jo and Cathy.

I'd like to extend particular thanks to the following people:

- Janine and Jo - for their help, advice and guidance in support of the RMSA over these last few months.
- Cathy – for her continued excellence at keeping the accounts, despite some challenges, but also for having to field a lot of the admin issues due to problems with the RMSA email address.
- Mr Hodges and Mr Morris – for their continued support of the RMSA and its activities (and being there when we needed particular help with certain situations)
- Dean Filmer – for his help in relation to anything site-related.

Apologies, I cannot name everyone but have picked out those that need a special mention. I fully appreciate everything that everyone else has done to help keep the RMSA on track. All in all, I think between us, we have done a fantastic job and have still managed to raise significant amounts of money, so well done everyone and here's to the 2025/2026 year!

Jane Marsh
15 August 2025

5. Treasurer's Report 2024-2025

AGM TREASURERS REPORT 2024/2025

Balance as of 31 August 2025	£26,773.81
Float held in Cash Tin	£100.00
Float held in Lost Property Room Safe (for Second Hand Sales)	£10.00
Income	£17,986.97
Outgoings	£18,476.15

Summary

Accounts for 2024-2025 have been prepared and will be sent for verification for submission for the Charity Commission annual return.

Cash Tin: £100 float is always left in the cash tin so that any event always has sufficient cash to provide change.

From September 2024 to August 2025, we have raised the following from:

• Your School Lottery	£4224.10	
• Give As You Live	£35.11	
• Second Hand Uniform Sales	£2,246.28	
• Xmas Fayre	£1,208.30	(Net £1,188.71)
• Quiz Night	£1,522.50	(Net £920.22)
• Foundation Day	£3,012.24	(Net £1,598.39)

The RMSA once again received insurance payments from 3 parents who have not cancelled their payments as requested.

The total amount of funding requests received was for £14,848.27 and we have approved and funded the following requests this financial year:

Dept	Item Requested	Actual Spend
SEN	ActivAll Interactive Game Board & Stand	£4,895.00
Drama	Licence for the School Musical	£1,000.00
DofE	Camping Stoves x 15	£1,035.00
RMSA	SumUp Solo Card Reader x 2	£139.98
Biology	Microscopes x 2	£408.22
Food Technology	Pasta Making Machines x 8	£180.00
Library	Lockable Book Trolley	£593.00
Esports Initiative	Nintendo Switch Consoles x 4	£666.63

PE	Cricket Balls	£85.80
PE	Football Shirts	£620.35
PE	Footballs	£131.63
Biology	Water Baths	£239.20
Sustainability Group	Gardening Equipment	£150.80
Whole School	Outdoor Clocks	£585.00
PE	House Vests x 120	£500.00
		£11,090.63

As of the end of July there were two outstanding donation payments to be made

- VEO Camera (PE Dept) £1,099.00 Requested 4.11.24
- Installation of Outdoor Clock (Whole School) £578.00 Requested 3.3.25

Cathy Younger
Treasurer
August 2025

6. Election of Officials 2024- 2025:

New officials were elected into 3 positions. Joanna (Vice-Chair) and Bridget (Secretary) stepped down from their positions.

Cathy proposed adding co-treasurer to support with the workload.

Charlotte and Laura both put themselves forward for Secretary, Preety put herself forward for Chair.

- Chair: Preety Bhatia**
- Vice Chair: Laura Fletcher**
- Treasurer: [Cathy Younger](#) and Kate Rawlings (co-treasurer)**
- Secretary: Charlotte (Charlie) Baillie**

7. Constitution

It was agreed that we should go ahead with the proposed changes to the Constitution: To allow subsequent meetings to be held in person, online or a hybrid format (Paragraph 16). This will be facilitated using Google Meet, which Adam and Eliot agreed to help set up.

8. Finance Policy

All members present approved the Finances Policy for another year and it will be reviewed at the next AGM. (A copy is available on the RMSA page on the school website)

9. Social Media Policy

All members present approved the Social Media policy for another year and it will be reviewed at the next AGM. (A copy is available on the RMSA page on the school website)

10. Any Other Business
NA

AGM completed at 7:29pm.