

Report to families and staff: Board of Management of Gorey Educate Together NS, 29th February 2012

Attendees: Karen Loughran (Chairperson,) Sarah Anderson, Raymond Swan (Secretary,) Aideen O'Donnell

Apologies: Tracy Smith

Chairperson to approach another potential Community Representative in advance of next meeting, (previous attempts to contact that person were unsuccessful)

1. Minutes from previous meeting adopted, (Sarah Anderson, Aideen O'Donnell)
Matters arising: principal attended PDST training on Revised Child Protection Procedures (and led in-house training session for teachers and SNAs)
Report to families and staff was agreed. Secretary to post on school website and Board mailbox
2. **Treasurer's Report** (Presented by Secretary)
Current account
Savings account (school books saving scheme)
Savings account (higher interest reserve account)
3. **Enrolment**
Third round of offers of school places for September 2012 now being processed
Projected enrolment for September 2012: 360 approx.
4. **Staffing**
Based on the above projected enrolment, the principal will apply to the DES for one 'Developing School' teaching post
Also, thus far, the school's Learning Support & Resource Teaching allocation for 2012-2013 is: 5 whole time posts plus 10 part-time hours. (The part-time hours have been combined with teaching hours at Gorey Central NS to create a whole time post, (based at Gorey Central.))
Career Break applications
Parental Leave applications
5. **Principal's report**
See school newsletters
School Musical, March 8th and 9th
St Patrick's Day parade
Trip to Aviva Stadium, Dublin
6. **Facilities**
Some quotations regarding the Outdoor Classroom remain outstanding
Board to return to this matter at next meeting
7. **Child Protection**
The Principal reported to the Board in accordance with Department of Education and Skills Child Protection Circular 0065/2011.

PDST advise letter to all families re: revised procedures. Board to consider attached draft
8. Board, PTA and Staff to consider attached draft **Attendance Policy**. Principal to re-draft in advance of next Board meeting (for possible ratification)
9. Board of Management: future roles for individual Board members. (Held over)
10. **PTA link**

N/A

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 28th March 2012, 8pm at the school