



## PA Minutes Meeting August 9<sup>th</sup> 2011

Attended by: Pat Cusack (Chair)  
Lynnea Connolly  
Barbara Campbell  
Dave Malone  
Katarzyna Nikonowicz  
Garrett Phelan

Apologises: Niamh Collins  
Evan Furlong  
Aran McMahon

### **Extra-curricular Activities**

It was agreed that a sub-committee be formed.

External events are not in the PA brief but we are happy to reference on PA website clearly stating that they are not endorsed/organised by PA.

### **Swimming Classes**

Due to the addition of two new classes (JI) there will be further pressure to fit all classes in during school terms but it has been agreed to continue to offer classes to JI. Swimming classes' supervision is still a live issue - precedence elsewhere? Check with Shoreline. Jessica to update in September

### **Child Protection**

Revised wording has been requested by PA – Garrett has made BoM aware of this request.

Action – Lynnea.

### **School Building**

Site was purchased for c.a. €15m by Department of Education.

It is hoped that GET N.S. gets a permanent building, option B is that Gaelscoil get a new building and we take over their existing building.

### **School Website**

Conor now in charge so there will be no update until teachers are back.

### **Notice Board**

Carpenter contacted by Garrett, hope to have in place for beginning of school year.

**Football Pitch**

No developments

**Ethos Calendar**

Currently on Year 2 cycle – this is on the website and will be included as handout at AGM to encourage awareness and parental involvement.

**Sports Day**

Operational review required – this year there was confusion regarding pick-ups etc as the event was cut short due to rain - there needs to be plan in place for such eventualities. It was agreed this will be highlighted for next year.

**T-Shirts**

Samples were provided by Katarzyna – Colour and font agreed. Cost is €3.50 (TBC). Agreed that 30 would be ordered for PA and also parents would have an option to purchase in September.

**Bag Pack**

Date has been booked for 29/30<sup>th</sup> September and 1<sup>st</sup> October at TESCO – one shift Thursday/Friday – all day Saturday – 2 hour shifts from 10.30am. Norma organising – T-Shirts, Buckets.

**BOM List**

Next

meeting to ratify teachers (end of August) Garrett to confirm – issues the PA would like addressed: Child protection / Swimming Update / Building Update.

Action - Lynnea will forward to BoM.

**Parent Questionnaire**

WIP – Lynnea / Jessica.

**Teddy Bear's Picnic**

Approx €2000 raised – TBC, some confusion about how funds are to be transferred and policy to be agreed for future events.

Action - Dave & Janet.

€150 was raised for the PS through face painting at the event. Well done to all who got involved and in particular to Jessica and her co-ordinating committee.

**Plans for September**

Hand over to new officers issues such as : Halloween, Christmas Cards etc – out as early as possible. Existing board pushes for themes etc. Draft for activities. Pub Quiz – fundraiser for school. Provisional calendar to be prepared for review at next meeting.

Action – Barbara.

**Text a parent**

It was agreed that the PA will initiate its own service and funds will be allocated to finance.

### **Accounts**

Dave did a review of accounts which will be reviewed and resent by separate e-mail.

Action - Dave.

### **Inventory**

While looking for items for use at the Teddy Bear's Picnic it was noted that there are lots of items that could be of use at events and that an inventory of resource materials would be valuable.

### **AGM**

Rugby Club is no longer available free of charge, although PA preference is for Rugby Club Shoreline will also be investigated.

Action - Lynnea.

Evan has the deck from last year – will retain structure.

Action: Pat to check with Evan.

Teacher to be individually invited.

Action - Barbara

Pat AGM presentation – drive to get people involved. Most of the new people will come. Impress on parents that they are a member of the PA, but this is just a committee. Push for at least one parent from each class to join the PA.

Catherine to be invited – an issue that was raised last year was class sizes and it may be raised again.

Second level team – to give a presentation at AGM - Secondary School earmarked for 2014.

Green schools – funds there for plants.

Fundraising in 2011-2012.

Garda Vetting Forms to be available at AGM – to check with Aideen

Skill forms – unsure about what happens to them – can they be accessed by PA? Should they be available at AGM?

Action: Garrett to investigate

**Next meeting: Joint meeting Sept 6<sup>th</sup> / PA meeting Sept 13<sup>th</sup> - TBC**