

Meeting with the new Chief Executive Officer



FLSE East met our new chief executive, Garry Steele, and were inspired by his plans to ensure that FLSE is seen as a major player in the field of special education.

Garry brings a wealth of international business expertise to the post, having worked for over 40 years in I.T. companies in sales, management and at director level. Garry will make FLSE a professional organisation, with a strong strategic direction and will ensure that DCSF, Ofsted et.al. take this organisation seriously and respect it as the voice of leaders in special education – a voice for us!

He aims to:

- ✓ make FLSE a professional and credible organisation that establishes our unique identity.
- ✓ create a powerful collective voice for special education
- ✓ deliver real benefit and added value for members
- ✓ ensure that FLSE is respected by peer organisations
- ✓ seek joint initiatives with other SEN organisations
- ✓ develop policy to take to DCFS
- ✓ build up regional work to strengthen FLSE
- ✓ develop a strong executive group to lead the work.

Garry has already visited many of the local regions and has a very good grasp of the national picture and what needs to be done to move FLSE onto the centre stage of educational debate.

Regional Conference March 18-19 2010 Theme – Leadership

Wyboston Lakes

18th March – afternoon start.
Conference Dinner with speaker.

19th March – full day
programme of lectures and seminars

Conference can be booked as a 24hr residential or for the second day.

Indicative costs i.r.o.

24 Hour:

Members £250 Non £375

Second day only:

Members £125 Non £195

New Look National FLSE

There have been changes to national FLSE since Garry took office. Elections for officers have been held:

Chair: David Bateson E Midlands
Vice: Malcolm Reeve East

The executive committee consists of reps from the 10 areas.

A new **Strategic Development Group** has been established to lead the work and move it forward. This group consists of the Chair, Vice and CEO. They will meet monthly to ensure a dynamic pace is set to the work. Members will be co-opted as required for particular pieces of work.

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TIME TO JOIN!! MEMBERSHIP TAKEN NOW IS FOR THE 2009-2010 ACADEMIC YEAR

We are determined that FLSE will be a national force in special education. Join us now and strengthen our voice. Contact your local rep. or denis.baldry@ntlworld.com for membership forms and details.

SEN HUBS

The SEN hubs are working on:

- IDP – SCLN and Autism
- Progression Guidance
- Achievement for All
- Transition Support Programme
- Disability Equality Scheme
- Parental Confidence
- SEN provision

Details of these initiatives can be found at:

www.eastrnssenhub.org.uk

SEMINARS

Following the success of the Ofsted seminar we will be offering a series of 3 seminars this year.

Topics currently in planning include Progression Guidance The National Funding Formula and for the afternoon of Dec 4th - Writing your SEF.

Full programme dates and themes will be circulated once arrangements have been confirmed

WEBSITE

FLSE is developing a website that will enable course and membership booking, carry news items and useful information. There will be a link to our E region website from here.

More news shortly