

PriestleyCollege

Meeting of the Governance & Search Committee
held on Monday 19 September, 2016 at 2.00pm in the Principal's Office

MINUTES

1. Apologies for Absence

Present: Mr Dyke

Mr Grant (Principal)

Mr Haslam

Mr Monaghan (Chair of Committee)

Mrs Yates

Clerk: Carole Owen

2. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 23 June 2016

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising not on today's agenda

5. Membership:

Meet with Prospective Governors:

Co-opted Governor

Mrs Janine Boyo joined the meeting and Governors asked her a range of questions to ascertain suitability for appointment. She left the meeting in order for the panel to consider her responses.

It was agreed that her financial skills would supplement those of other members of the Governing Body. Her involvement in supporting three schools during their MAT conversion was noted and her experience in this area was seen as an asset for the College going forward. Mrs Boyo will be asked to join the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

Resolved

To recommend the appointment of Mrs Janine Boyo as Co-opted Governor from 22 September 2016 to 21 September 2020 or the dissolution of the Corporation.

The Principal reported that Gerry Brennan and another former student had expressed an interest in joining the Governing Body. The application for Gerry Brennan has been circulated and he is to be invited to the next Committee meeting to assess his suitability.

Mr Dyke suggested that he was aware of another individual who had skills which might further enhance the Governing Body. He agreed to make an approach and report back to the Chair and Principal.

Parent Governor Appointment Update

Mr Grant reported receipt of one application from Chris Leach for the role of Parent Governor. The closing date for applications was 16 September.

Resolved

To recommend the appointment of Chris Leach as Parent Governor from 22 September 2016 to 21 September 2018 or the dissolution of the Corporation.

Staff Governor Update

The Committee noted two Staff Governor vacancies. Five teacher nominations were noted with the ballot closing at 3pm on 20 September. The successful candidates will be invited to attend the Full Governing Body meeting on 22 September.

Resolved

To note the arrangements of the Staff Governor election.

6. Governance Self-Assessment:

Following a discussion regarding the existing Governor self-review, it was suggested that the existing format of the assessment be retained. In light of a possible academy conversion, it was agreed that the National Governors Association Skills Audit would be appropriate for future use.

7. Governor Training

It was agreed that Mrs Yates and the Clerk provide an Induction session for new Governors at 4.30pm on 3 November. The session will be opened to existing Governors as a refresher course on the statutory requirements for Governing Bodies.

9. Date of Next Meeting
(TBA Autumn Term 2016)

The meeting closed 15.25pm

Carole Owen
20 September 2016