



LAMPARD BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Minutes of Extra Ordinary Governor Board Meeting

Wednesday 12th May 2021 at 4.30pm

Attendee	Initials		Arrival / Departure	Attendee	Initials		Arrival / Departure
Christine Bevan	CB	Chair	4.30pm / 4.45pm	Elaine Penfold	EP	Parent	4.30pm / 4.45pm
Sam Barham	SJB	Head	4.30pm / 4.45pm	Claire-Cowen Brown	CCB	Co-Opted	4.30pm / 4.45pm
Hayley Hardy	HH	Parent	4.30pm / 4.45pm	Alison Rubenchik	AR	School Business Manager	4.30pm / 4.45pm
Andrew Redpath	AR	Co-Opted	4.30pm / 4.45pm				
Peter How	PH	LEA	4.35pm / 4.45pm				
Katie Goodfellow	KG	Clerk	4.30pm / 4.45pm				
Apologies	Initials		Reason	Apologies	Initials		Reason
Bill Robinson	BR	Parent	Work commitments				

FOCUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction Holding the Headteacher to account for educational performance of the school and its students Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent 		
1	MAY1	Apologies	Apologies received from BR due to work commitments
2	MAY2	Declaration Pecuniary/non pecuniary interest	No conflicts of interest were recorded
3	MAY3	Finance	<p>CB asked governors if now that they had had chance to read and reflect, were there any questions for AR about the proposed budget?</p> <p>There were no questions, and governors agreed that the proposal was well laid out and well explained.</p> <p>CB commented that she wanted to extend thanks to AR and SJB for producing such an excellent financial plan, and that what they have achieved is nothing</p>

			<p>short of miraculous in achieving such a significant deficit reduction in a short period of time.</p> <p>CCB, EP, ASR, HH echoed these comments.</p> <p><u>The budget was unanimously approved.</u></p> <p>AR gave an update on the current situation, and announced that FIPS have approved the much-reduced deficit licence to be carried over to Spring 2022. Due to the level of deficit reduction and the tight margin FIPS has agreed to issue a further deficit license should it be required due to the expansion plans. AR will monitor this closely and submit monthly updates to the Lead Finance Officer. AR confirmed that the school had received an unreserved apology from Babcock for the poor level of service prior to the budget preparation and that the Lead Finance Officer would work with AR going forward.</p> <p>Following on from discussion of this issue at the previous meeting, CB asked governors if they would like to accept Babcock's apologies for their poor service or to make a formal complaint.</p> <p><u>Governors were unanimous in their decision to accept the apology and let it rest.</u></p> <p>The matter is now closed.</p>
4	MAY4	<u>Effective Governance</u>	<p>SJB described how governors have taken the time to consider and reflect on the proposed budget, ensuring a careful and robust financial plan which reduces the deficit and takes the school forward into a strong position.</p>