

BISHOP PERRIN

Church of England Primary School

An Extraordinary Meeting of the Board of Governors 7th September 2022 held in School and via Google Meet 6.00pm MINUTES

Governor Attendees:

Father David Cloake (FrDC) Chair

Aid Corke (AC) Head Teacher

Kerry Doggett (KD)

Lucy James (LJ) Until 6.25pm

Rachael Macklearn (RM) Deputy Head, Associate Member (Online from

6.35pm)

Russell Nimmo (RN) Co -Vice Chair Alwyn Williams (AW) Co -Vice Chair

Non-governor attendees

Helen Bott (HB) Clerk

Apologies

Wahida Alladin (WA)
Father John Kafwanka (FrJK)
Harsha McArdle (HM)
Ankur Pruthi (AP)

Absent without apologies

Satty Panesar (SP) Associate Member

	ITEM				ACTION
	OPENING P	OPENING PRAYER			
	The meeting opened at 6.00pm with a prayer led by FrDC				
	WELCOME TO GOVERNORS				
		med everyone to the meeting.			
		ned the Board of the recent			
		at St Augustine's Parish,			
	_	and former Governor to Bis	•	•	
thoughts and prayers are with his wife and family at this sad time.					
APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST					
Apologies were received from WA, FrJK, HM & AP. SP was also absent at					
the meeting.					
	There were no declarations of interest.				
MINUTES & MATTERS ARISING					
	Actions updated from the last meeting held on 6th July 2022.				
	Minute	Action	Assigned		
	23.03.22	The Chair agreed to write	FrDC	AW to draft ready	
	6	letter of thanks to the 3		for FrDC to	
		members of Staff that are		approve and sign	
		due to leave on behalf of		Done	

		the Governors.			
	18.05.22	FrDC will start to work on dates for the next academic year for meetings and circulate them.	FrDC	In progress Done	
	18.05.22	 Emergency Action Plan Health and safety Premises management documents 	AC	In progress H&S - Done Rest still in progress	AC
	18.05.22 3	The above Statutory Policies will be presented at a future meeting. Governors Code of Conduct – Cross reference	FrDC/HB	Still to do	FrDC/HB
	18.05.22 3	with website and Review FrDC to format the Terms of Reference.	FrDC	Still to do	FrDC
	18.05.22 9	Ethos Visit Report presented to next FGB	FrDC/AW	To follow For Nov FGB	FrDC/AW
	06.07.22 4	Cross check the Home School Agreement with the Behaviour Policy. Does the Governors responsibilities a line with the policy?	AC	Done	
	06.07.22 6	AW to contact the Business Manager regarding the invoice for Little Wandle.	AW	Done	
	06.07.22 7	Future Finance meeting dates will be discussed at the next Finance meeting.	Fin Grp	Done	
	It was acknowledged that the minutes could not be agreed at this meeting as the Board was not quorate and that they would go to the next meeting in November for approval.				нв
2	GOVERNING BODY ITEMS				
	• Election of Vice Chair FrDC proposed to continue with 2 Co-Vice Chairs, RN & AW again for the next year. All Governors were in favour and agreed. It was declared that RN and AW were elected unopposed as Co-Vice Chairs for a one-year term of office.				
					FrDC
	Staff Governor Vacancy It was noted that the school still needs to replace the staff Governor role on				

the Board and that the Chair and Clerk would arrange an advert to pass onto staff.

Introduction to new Academic Year

The Chair gave an overview of how he would like to see The Board work this academic year.

- Dates of meetings to be set and kept for the academic year.
- Policies, try to keep a steady stream coming to FGB and not all at once.
- Governors are more experienced in their roles now so the Chair would like to see them checking on the basic processes within the school for example; the Single Central Record is up to date.
- If Governors wish to explore different areas in school governance, then please do.
- The Chair reminded Governors they may have been elected onto the Board by the parents or the local Parish Church, but their role is not to be their voice. For example, if a parent within the school has an issue with the school they must follow the correct school procedures to report the issue and not bring it to a School Governor for the next FGB.
- The Chair also reminded that now Governors know each other better and are more confident in their roles, meetings can get quite 'chatty' at times. This can be issue for anyone online if meetings are being held in a hybrid online/In person meeting, as those online will struggle to hear when everyone is talking at once.

• Roles for coming year

The Chair explained that he would keep the Groups and Group Chairs and Link Governors the same as last year, giving the opportunity for the Governors to expand and bed in the skills they have gained over the last year.

• GB Year Planner and Meeting Dates

A list of meeting dates were circulated prior to the meeting. Please note the next FGB is on 1st November at 6pm.

• Updates to Keeping Children Safe

The Chair noted that there have been updates to Part 1 of this document and all Governors need to make sure that they have not just read the document, but also understand it. Please make sure that you have updated on Governor Hub that you have read this and also your Declaration of Interest and the Code of Conduct. Any question on who needs to do this, please contact the Clerk.

ALL

HB/FrDC

3. **LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT**

The Head gave a verbal report at the meeting.

• HT Verbal Report Sept 2022

Staffing Update

- Avril/Rachel/Tom have settled in and been made to feel welcome
- Lots for them all to take on, but all have been assigned a mentor/buddy
- Rachel is undertaking the Early Careers Teacher programme, which
 is very different from the previous Newly Qualified Teacher
 programme. Very structured programme and content, with Ruth
 Lancaster being Rachel's Mentor and AC being the Induction Tutor
 - Supply agency Teaching and Learning Assistant appointed for the

- whole term to work in Reception in the morning and then Yr 1 in the afternoons
- Rachael is undertaking outreach work at Holy Trinity CE Primary School in Richmond, helping with their curriculum development. This is two days per week for Autumn and Spring Terms. Year 4 teaching commitment being covered by known and experience supply teacher who will be with us for the duration. Outreach work will generate an income for the school which will be very helpful with uncertainty over price and energy cost increases.

The Chair noted that this extra income can be spent in any way the school wishes to spend it.

- Mary has started in her Inclusion Leader role and we will look to get her enrolled on the national SENDCo qualification, but have three years for her to complete this.
- The new Reception in take had started this week as the whole process had ben accelerated this year, with the home visits done before the summer, meaning all the children are in the school three weeks earlier than previously.

Governors asked; The Government announced a 5% pay award for teachers (and 8.9% for starters) back in mid-July after our finance group meeting. I believe this award is higher than what was budgeted - do you know if the budget has since been updated? Also, do we have any information at all concerning electricity/heating bills from the council yet?

Budget

The school had not been informed as yet of any significant increase in cost of gas/electricity. Contract through Richmond Council, so bulk tender with other schools.

No news yet from Government as to whether they will fund the additional 2% pay increase for teaching staff. We had budgeted for 3% back in April, with Government announcing over the summer that teachers will get 5%, but that schools had to pay for this extra increase out of own school budgets.

INSET Days

- Whole staff attendance on 1st Sept for update from AC about new Behaviour Policy. Training from Ali McLure about new behaviour strategies and then in the afternoon statutory safeguarding training delivered by AC
- Fri 2nd was new year admin plus Little Wandle Phonics training and new spelling systems for Juniors

Safeguarding

AC attending a Child In Need meeting on Thurs 9th linked to a SPA referral made by the school in the Summer Term

Pupil Attendance

Most of the classes had some children missing over first couple of days due to illness and extended holidays. Will be monitoring this to make sure children are back in.

SDP Update

Rachael, Mary and myself will be looking at last year's SDP to evaluate the main objectives and see what needs to carry over into this year. Will also look at self-evaluations from curriculum subject leaders to see if there is anything from any of the subject areas that needs focusing on. Some additional things we will include are:

 Focus on writing and improving combined Reading/Writing/Maths outcomes across the school

- Embedding Little Wandle Phonics scheme and spelling programme
- Embedding behaviour strategies from Ali McLure training and the 5 Bs
- Embedding Anti-bullying Ambassadors
- Developing the new Wellbeing Lead role across the school
- Accessing training for restorative systems
- Supporting new staff

Will need Governors to consider what they want to aim to achieve this academic year so this can be included in the SDP

SEND

Str Grp

We had an EHCP approved over the summer and have been allocated funding for 25 hours, which is more than we anticipated. This is for a child in Year 5

We have a second application in place and should hear about the outcome around November time for a child in Year 1. We have put extra staffing in Year 1 to help and support the child in the afternoons. This is at our own expense until the EHCP plan is approved.

Premises

Waiting for 2nd quote for batteries for solar panels. First one around £6k

Some leaks from displaced tiles over the summer-getting these looked at.

Please note at this point LJ had to leave the meeting at 6.25pm and RM Joined the meeting online at 6.35pm.

4. STATUTORY POLICIES

The following papers were circulated prior to the meeting

Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy

Governors had some questions:

They noted that there was no mention of the new secondary school just across the road and that the school plans to use it premises and the school will me mixing with older children.

The wording around younger children regarding themselves as Gay/Trans or Bi was discussed.

They were pleased to see that spiritual abuse was in the policy. The Head noted the above.

AC

Governors asked if all parent Drivers need a DBS? Do they keep a log of who is driving whom and when?

The Head explained "no" parents don't need a DBS as it is only occasional driving and no they don't keep a log.

The Chair suggested it may worth keeping a log of who is driving and when and with whom.

The Head noted the above

AC

- KCSiE Part 1
- Staff Code of Conduct/Safe Working Agreement
- Behaviour. Anti-Bullying and Exclusions Policy
- Health and Safety Policy

Governors asked how many First Aiders do you currently have in school and do the staff team know how to look after children with diabetes? It was noted that the list of First Aiders in the classroom was not up to date.

The Head explained that they have 8 First Aiders, all paediatric trained and

	some adult trained as well. As least two staff members know how to manage the children's diabetes and the School Nurse will come in and train staff as needed. The Head would make sure the list of First Aiders is updated in classrooms. • Equality Information and Objectives - no changes • Complaints Policy - no changes Governors noted that Complaints and Data Protection polices that came to meeting were not due until 2023 and this could have saved The Head some time before the meeting.	AC
	 Data Protection Policy - no changes Whistleblowing Policy - no changes Online Safety Policy and the accompanying Acceptable Use Governors noted that on the KS2, item 14 the sentence didn't finish properly. The Head noted the above 	AC
	• Charges and Remissions Policy The Head reported that they have added an administration fee for pupils needing references, counter signing passports and visa renewals. They had looked at what other schools on the Borough charge for writing pupil references and have decided to give 50% of the fee to the teacher writing the reference in their own time and the other 50% for the school to cover admin for the reference.	
	Governors questioned how they would pay the member of staff, noting it needs to go through the school pay role system and can be taxed. The Strategic Group agreed to the changes made to the Charges and Remissions Policy. All Governors will be asked to agree the policy online.	
	 Term Dates 2023/2024 Term Dates for 2023/24 were circulated at the meeting. AC proposed, all Governors present agreed to the Term dates for 2023/24. 	
	The Chair requested at all the above polices are circulated again amongst the Governors for approval online and any questions be referred to The Head. Then they will be formally signed at our next FGB.	НВ
5.	Data Impact Minutes of the meeting held on 14 th July 22 were circulated prior to the meeting. The Chair asked to bring these Minutes again to our next meeting due to The Board not being quorate.	НВ
6.	Finance Minutes of the meeting held on 11 th July 22 were circulated prior to the meeting. The Chair asked also to bring these Minutes to our next meeting due to The Board not being quorate.	НВ
7.	AOB The was none.	

8.	CONFIDENTIALITY				
	Governors agreed that there was nothing at tonight's meeting that should				

be classed as confidential.

NEWSLETTER HIGHLIGHTS

The Governors met for an Extraordinary Board meeting on Wednesday 7th September. They elected Fr David Cloake as Chair, Mr Russell Nimmo and Mrs Alwyn Williams as Co- Vice Chairs for the next one year term of office.

The Governors were pleased to welcome the new members of staff that have joined the school this year.

Governors are looking forward to further working with the school for the next year ahead.

The meeting concluded at 7.23pm with prayers led by FrDC

Signed:	
Date:	

Full GB Actions

As of 7th September 2022

Minute	Action	Assigned	Update
18.05.22	Emergency Action Plan	AC	In progress
3	 Health and safety 		
	 Premises management 		H&S - Done
	documents		Best still in any and
	The above Statutory Policies will be		Rest still in progress
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			For Nov FGB
07.09.22	FGB Mins 6th July 22 to next FGB for	НВ	
1	approval		
07.09.22	Associate Governors SP - Chair to	FrDC	
2	contact		
07.09.22	Staff Governor Advertise	HB/FrDC	
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07.09.22	Governor Hub - read Keeping Children	ALL	
2	Safe and your Declaration of Interest and		
07.09.22	the Code of Conduct are updated Governors to consider what they want to	Str Grp	
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3	can be included in the SDP		
07.09.22	Changes/ suggestions to Safeguarding	AC	
4	policy		
07.09.22	Office to keep log of whom is driving	AC	
4	pupils		
07.09.22	The Head would make sure the list of	AC	
4	First Aiders is updated in classrooms		
07.09.22	Changes/ suggestions to Online Safety	AC	
4	policy		

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07.09.22 5 & 6	Data Impact and Finance Group Meeting Mins to next FGB	НВ	