

Minutes of Full Board of Governors Meeting Tuesday 20 November 2018, 6.30pm in school

Present: Louise Clarke, Pam Clinton, Marjorie Dean, Taz Dearnley, Zanna Patchett, Jez Pinfold, Jon Stobart (Chair)

In attendance:
Jane Thirlaway - Clerk

521/18 Apologies for absence

Apologies were accepted from Pippa Brook and Anette Soyer

522/18 Pecuniary Interests Review

No interests were declared.

523/18 Minutes of last meeting

Approved and signed as an accurate record.

524/18 Matters arising from previous minutes

510/18 - Clerk had circulated annual pecuniary interests review to be signed.

513/18 - Clerk advised Governor Development Service of election of Chair and Vice-Chair.

515/18 - HT's performance review training. No course available this year for PB. Clerk to book next year.

516/18 - Link governors. List of current link roles were circulated to remind governors of their roles and vacancies available.

525/18 Standards & achievement

Governors talked through standards as detailed in the HT's report. In KS2 'expected' standard had increased to above average against national in reading, writing and maths. Progress scores were much improved on the previous year. Governors asked why there had been such a startling progress change in reading. MD explained that two children who were working below at KS1 had made exceptional progress in KS2. Parents generally support children well with reading.

Changes had been made to the teaching of writing. Staff have received training in the 'Write Stuff' approach and have planned in units of work and strategies to their lessons. Moderation has successfully taken place both internally and at Consortium level since using this approach. Pupil premium update - MD updated governors on current pupil premium spend and impact. 66% of PP pupils were working at or above the expected standard in reading 33% expected in writing and 66% expected in maths. Governors were satisfied that current strategies in place were effective in achieving the desired outcomes.

526/18 Headteachers report

MD had previously circulated her HT's report for discussion. A copy of which is attached to these minutes. MD asked if anyone had specific questions or comments.

Governors noted that the overall absence rate for the summer term was 2.91% which was within the target set for the year. Unauthorised absence rate was 0.04%.

From 2020 it is a statutory requirement for all schools to have a Health & Wellbeing lead. PC had taken on this roll and had attended day one of a two day training course called 'leading a mentally healthy school'. Some actions in the LIP have been amended to reflect the new

requirements and from advice given at the training course. An action plan has been drawn up as part of the requirement.

PTA - MD reported to governors that the PTA had been rejuvenated and the new Chairs were doing a fantastic job. Going forward they have lots of plans in place for much needed fundraising events. Their odd job morning was a huge success with parents giving up their Saturday morning to come and help with minor repair work around the school.

527/18 Safeguarding

All staff had received annual safeguarding update training. MD reported there were no significant worries to report or any increase on last year. Staff are vigilant at all times and there are very tight processes in place to monitor safeguarding which are robust for both adults and children. MD had submitted the latest safeguarding audit.

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530/18 Policy approval

- Child Protection & Safeguarding
- Staff behaviour/code of conduct
- Assessment
- Health & Safety
- SEND
- EYFS
- Social Networking
- Curriculum policies:- Anti-bullying, Art, Computing, DT, Geography, History, Languages, Maths, PE, Science,

The above policies had been reviewed and recommended for approval by relevant link governors and approved by the full board.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm