



CORPORATION SEARCH COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CORPORATION SEARCH COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2009

PRESENT: Mr I Standen Chairman
Mr M Garrity
Mr J Green
Dr G Wilson
Ms W Wright Principal

IN ATTENDANCE:
Mrs P Connell Clerk to the Corporation

18/09 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were none.

19/09 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of 17 June 2009 were confirmed as a correct record.

20/09 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

15/09 Governor Curriculum Link Areas

The Principal reported that Schools had provided evidence, during the Principal's Annual Review process, to demonstrate that the governor curriculum links had been operating effectively. A new system had been put in place for the current academic year and it was believed that most linked governors had now visited their respective curriculum areas. Dr Wilson reported that he had still not been contacted by his linked area. The Clerk to the Corporation agreed to pursue this matter.

21/09 SKILLS AUDIT

The Committee received an up-dated skills audit of the current membership of the Corporation, which was attached as appendix A. It was noted that there were currently four vacancies in the Corporation's membership. It was anticipated that two of these would be filled when the new President and Vice-President of the Students' Union were nominated to the Corporation for appointment as the new Student Members on 15 December 2009. (See minute 24/09 below).

22/09 RETIREMENT OF HEADTEACHER, MACCLESFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

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Members noted the retirement of Mr G Ward, Headteacher of Macclesfield High School, with effect from 30 September 2009 and the consequent vacancy in the membership of the governing body.

The Principal advised that Mr A Robinson had been invited to serve as Consultant Headteacher until 31 August 2010. Mr Robinson had already attended the meeting of the LZ6 Governance Committee on 16 November 2009 and it was intended to seek the Corporation's approval, on 15 December 2009, to formally appoint him as a Member of the Committee, in compliance with its terms of reference.

Members agreed to keep the vacancy on the governing body under review and to make a formal recommendation to the Corporation once a permanent appointment of a new Headteacher at Macclesfield High School had been made.

23/09 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER OF THE CORPORATION TO FILL THE VACANCY CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF CLLR MRS E GILLILAND

The Committee received an oral report from the Principal, concerning the discussion on the above subject which had taken place with the new Cheshire East Authority since the last meeting of the Committee in June. The matter had also been raised when a number of senior councillors had visited the College and met the Principal, the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Corporation in November. The Local Authority had nominated Cllr H Davenport for appointment as a Corporation Member, but had acknowledged that the College was bound by the procedures regarding the appointment of Corporation Members which were contained within its Articles and Instrument of Government. The Clerk had written to the Council giving details of this process and explaining that it would, in fact, be illegal for the Corporation to make an appointment without first receiving a formal recommendation from its Search Committee.

In conclusion, **it was agreed that** Cllr Davenport should be invited into College to meet with Members of the Search Committee. **It was further resolved that** at least three Members of the Search Committee should be present at this meeting. It was envisaged that, following the conclusion of this process, **an oral recommendation would be made by the Chairman of the Search Committee, on behalf of all of its Members, to the Corporation meeting of 15 December 2009.**

24/09 APPOINTMENT OF TWO STUDENT MEMBERS

Members noted that Ms Lujean Ahmad had been elected as President of the Students' Union and Ms Paris Martin as Vice President of the Students' Union for the 2009-10 academic year. The Clerk advised that, in accordance with the procedures approved by the governing body, Ms Ahmad and Ms Martin would be nominated as the new Student Members

of the Corporation for appointment on 15 December 2009. Ms Ahmad

would also be nominated as the new Student Member of the Teaching and Learning Standards Committee.

Pamela J Connell
Clerk to the Corporation
25 November 2009

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