



Beetham Church of England (Aided) Primary School

Governing Body

Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting of the Governing Body, held in Beetham Church of England (Aided) Primary School on Monday 10th September 2018 at 5.30pm

Present: Mr John Lomax (Chair, Foundation Governor – JL)
 Mrs Jenny Marks (Foundation Governor – JM)
 Ms Wendy Nicholas (Headteacher - WN)
 Mrs Vivien Stirrup (Foundation Governor – VS)
 Mr Dennis Wright (Foundation Governor – DW)
 Mr Brian Smalley (LA Governor – BS)
 Mrs Rachel Wray (Foundation Governor – RW)
 Mrs Sarah Easton (Foundation Governor – SE)
 Mrs Tess Rowlands (Foundation Governor – TR)

Apologies: Mrs Kirsty Klijn (Staff Governor – KK)
 Ms Hannah Gardner (Parent Governor – HG)

In attendance: Mrs Sally Coyle (Clerk to the Governing Body - SC)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence	ACTION
<p>JL welcomed everyone to the meeting, introducing new Foundation Governor TR who replaced JBJ with effect from the 31st July. Governors noted their thanks to JBJ for her contribution to the Governing Body during her 4 year term of office.</p> <p>It was noted that the VS had been re-appointed as a Foundation Governor for a 4 year term of office with effect from the 31st July.</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from KK and HG.</p>	
2. Declarations of Interest	
None declared.	
3. Notification of AOB and Confidential Items	
None raised.	

<p>4. Election of Chair and Vice Chair for the Academic Year 2018/19</p> <p>JL was unanimously elected as Chair (<i>Proposed: BS. Seconded:VS</i>) and BS was unanimously elected as Vice Chair (<i>Proposed: VS. Seconded:JM</i>)</p>	
<p>5. Confirmation of Sub-Committee Membership</p> <p>Governors reviewed the current sub-committee membership and agreed the following:-</p> <p>Community and Welfare – BS/SE/HG/RW/JL/WN Curriculum and Staffing – VS/KK/TR/JL/WN Finance and Resources – CC/JM/DW/JL/WN</p>	
<p>6. Headteacher Update</p> <p>WN highlighted that the main focus over recent days had been getting the new outdoor classroom up and running and welcoming new and existing pupils back to school.</p> <p>Thanks were given to staff and governors who had provided their time and assistance to ensure the classroom was ready in time.</p>	
<p>7. Diocese of Carlisle School Admissions Policy</p> <p>Governors discussed the consultation letter received from the Diocese and unanimously agreed that they should adhere to the Board of Education model policy and guidance which advised that Church of England Schools in the Diocese should no longer include faith commitment as one of their criteria and that this should be removed from the school's admission policy.</p> <p>WN and governors did however stress that the all parents/carers and pupils at the school should continue to be made aware of the need to support the strong Christian ethos and values of Beetham School and the wide range of joint church/school activities.</p>	
<p>8. Diocese of Carlisle Autumn Newsletter</p> <p>The newsletter was circulated and noted by governors.</p>	
<p>9. Governor Self Declaration and Register of Business Interests Forms</p> <p>Completed forms were returned to SC.</p> <p><u>Action:- All outstanding forms to be returned at the next meeting</u></p>	<p>ALL (where applicable)</p>
<p>10. NGA Code of Conduct</p> <p>Trustees unanimously agreed to sign up to the NGA Code of Conduct (<i>Proposed: JL. Seconded:VS</i>)</p>	

11. Governor Skills Audits	
Completed forms were returned to SC. <i>Action:- All outstanding forms to be returned at the next meeting</i>	ALL (where applicable)
12. Dates of Future Meetings for the 2018/19 Academic Year	
<i>Committees – Monday 8th October Full Governing Body – Tuesday 16th October SIP – Tuesday 13th November</i>	
13. Any Other Business	
None raised.	

Signed: (Chair)	
Date:	