

Minutes of the meeting of the Governing Body of Stormont House School held at the school at 5pm on Monday 20th May 2024

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Name	Governor Role	Link Role	Term of Office
Bernard Hawes	Co-opted – Chair	Safeguarding	25/11/2023-24/11/2027
Beatrice Andrews	Co-Opted – Vice Chair	Careers	10/07/2023-09/07/2027
Kevin McDonnell	Head Teacher		Ongoing
Rhiannon Eglin	Co-opted		05/10/2020-04/10/2024
Dot Hodgson	Co-opted	Student Council	31/07/2022-30/07/2026
Claire Napier	Staff		01/09/2019-31/08/2023
Dayo Okewale	Co-opted	6 th Form	23/11/2020-22/11/2024
Nicola Pizzolato	Co-opted		21/06/2021-20/06/2025
Allan Roddie	Parent	H&S	14/03/2022-13/02/2026

Present:

Bernard Hawes
Beatrice Andrews
Allan Roddie
Rhiannon Eglin
Claire Napier
Nicola Pizzolato (by MS Teams)

In attendance:

Sandra Collier Deputy Head Teacher James Sykes Schools Safeguarding Officer

Clerk:

Bernard Hawes Chair

SUMMARY OF OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

Date	Details
21.06.2021	Governors interested in discussing the Chair role to contact Chair. Ongoing
	Governors to attend appropriate training from Hackney and attend
28.11.2022	Governors Forum where possible. Ongoing. 27.11.2023: Invite to be
	forwarded to Governors when it arrives. Completed
28.11.2022	Chair to circulate the Board Self-Evaluation questionnaire. Ongoing
28.11.2022	Ms Foster to compile visible learning data analysis for the whole
	programme. Ongoing. One-page summary to be produced. 27.11.23:
	Report will go to Teaching and Learning Committee. Completed
20.03.2023	Ms Foster to liaise with Ms Andrews regarding unconscious bias training.
	Ongoing

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<u> </u>	04.03.2024	Ms Collier to clarify if Chair of Governors to sign off CSR statement

The meeting started at 5.00pm

1 Attendance

1.1 Welcome and Apologies for Absence

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies had been received from Kevin McDonnell and Dot Hodgson.

2 Governing Body Organisation

2.1 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

2.2 Register of Pecuniary Interest

See action table above.

3 Minutes of the Last Meeting and Action Taken

3.1 To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 4th March 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th March 2024 were agreed as an accurate record and would be signed by the Chair.

3.2 To note outstanding matters arising and agree carry forward items

It was agreed to carry forward the Action table shown in the minutes of the 4th March to the July meeting.

3.3 Any urgent action taken since the last meeting

The Chair of Governors confirmed that there had been no urgent action.

4 Main Business

4.1 Review and Agree the Budget 2024/25.

The draft budget presented to and agreed at the Resources Committee meeting on the 13th May had been circulated prior to the meeting. CC stated that the budget reported an in-year surplus of £24,616, which together with the accumulated brought forward surplus from 2023/24 gave a total surplus of £ 181,602.

CC also highlighted the following assumptions made in preparing the budget:

Pupil numbers: 138 Hackney students & 4 Tower Hamlet students

Teachers pay increase of 3.5% Support Staff pay increase of 5% No provision for IT Development.

Reduction of 30% in Utility costs on advice from Hackney

Governors were made aware that a 3-year fixed funding for SEND pupils had been agreed in 2023 and that 2024/25 was the second year for these agreed funding levels.

Governors approved the budget for 2024/25

4.2 Governor Safeguarding Training.

James Sykes the schools' Hackney Safeguarding Officer delivered a high-level review of current Safeguarding via MS Teams which was an interactive session enabling governors to explore their responsibilities. A further training session was agreed to for a future date to be agreed.

James agreed to circulate the PowerPoint presentation.

The meeting ended at 6.30pm

Signed: Chair of Governors	Date
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