

Colyton Grammar School

Minutes of the Governing Body – Part One

Date of Meeting: Thursday 12 November 2015

Venue: Room 16

Present:

Governors	Dr C Bastin, Mr G Davis, Lt Col T J Dyer, Mr A Eaton-Hart, Mr M Goscomb, Mr G Hayne, Mrs S Hopkins Mrs L Linnell, Mr B Salter, Mr R Scott, Mrs J Wainwright, Mrs V Wells and Mrs F H Wilkinson
Staff	Mr A Gregson
Visitors	None
Secretary	Mr S R Cook

1. Disclosure of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

2. Election of Chair

Dr Bastin explained that as the main part of the evening was reserved for a Finance Focus Evening, it was proposed that the election of the Chair and Vice Chair which normally occurs at the first Board meeting of the year, should be deferred to the main December meeting.

This was agreed.

3. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mrs S Burns-Price, Rev H Dawson, Mr M R Marsh and Mr B Merrett.

4. Election of Vice Chair

Deferred – see Item 2.

5. Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on 9 July 2015

Deferred.

6. Matters Arising

Deferred.

7. Proposed Change to Articles of Association

Dr Bastin drew attention to the paper which had been circulated prior to the meeting, together with the drafts of the proposed revised Articles of Association.

Mr Cook explained that following the Board's decision in July to seek Education Funding Agency (EFA) approval for a new article, the school's solicitors had indicated that the EFA would be more likely to approve a change to the current model articles for academy converters.

The drafts circulated prior to the meeting are based on the current EFA model.

The school's solicitors have indicated that the change will require the prior approval of the Charity Commission. The EFA have asked for a copy of the proposed revisions, together with a draft Members' Resolution. Mr Cook circulated a revised draft Members' Resolution which makes reference to Charity Commission approval.

Mr Goscomb drew attention to a number of typographical errors requiring correction.

Proposed by Mr Scott, seconded by Mr Hayne and unanimously agreed that proposed revised articles should be submitted to the Charity Commission and the EFA, and that the

Members should be recommended to adopt the revised articles once the necessary approvals have been obtained.

8. Revised Governors' Yearbook

Dr Bastin drew attention to the revised Governors' Yearbook and the associated list of changes which had been circulated prior to the meeting. Mr Cook outlined the following changes:

- (a) The addition of a Key Documents section
- (b) The updating of the Code of Conduct to reflect changes to the National Governors' Association model code on which it was based
- (c) Changes to the procedures for electing the Chair and Vice Chair of Committees to mirror the arrangements in place for the election of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board
- (d) Changes to the list of Committee members


Proposed by Lt Col Dyer, seconded by Mr Hayne and unanimously agreed that the revised Governors' Yearbook should be approved.

9. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

10. Next Meeting

Thursday 10 December 2015 at 6.30pm.

Signed:		(Chairman of Governors)
Date:	10/12/15	