

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Corporation of Sunderland College held on Thursday 23rd February 2017 at 9.30am in Room 1.22 at Bede Campus

PRESENT: Mr G Blyth, Mr T Crompton, Ms S Forster, Mrs C Gofton, Mrs A Hodgson, Mr A Holmes, Mr R Lawson (Chair), Mr P McEldon and Ms E Thinnesen

CLERK: Ms P Veitch

SpBd/16/07 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Apologies were accepted from Mrs S Atkinson, Mr J Barnett, Ms A Fellows, Mr H Kemp and Mr R Saelzer. The Staff and Student Governors did not attend the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 16.

Mr Holmes declared an interest in relation to item 10 (due to business relationship with the Director of Creo Communications) but was not required to withdraw.

SpBd/16/08 MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING HELD ON 13TH JANUARY 2017

The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting and were signed by the Chair.

SpBd/16/09 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT – EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

(Redacted)

The Board resolved:

- i) (Redacted)
- ii) (Redacted)
- iii) That all reports, papers and minutes be deemed strictly confidential.

SpBd/16/10 CONFIDENTIAL REPORT – MERGER AND GOVERNANCE

(Redacted)

The Board discussed and received the report and resolved to :

- i)-ix) (Redacted)
- x) Agree that the report and minutes be deemed confidential until such time as they are no longer considered commercially sensitive.

SpBd/16/11 ORGANISATIONAL UPDATE (CONFIDENTIAL)

(Redacted)

The Board:

- i) Discussed and received the verbal update; and
- ii) Agreed that progress be reported to the Governance Committee between scheduled meetings of the Board as and when appropriate.

SpBd/16/12 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair reminded the Board that this was Mr Holmes' last Board meeting before his tenure ends on 30 April 2017. The Chair formally gave his thanks to Mr Holmes for his valuable contribution as Governor over the past 8 years and his support as Vice Chair of the Board. The Board thanked Mr Holmes and presented a gift.

The meeting closed at 11.30am