

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Corporation of Sunderland College held on Tuesday 25th April 2017 at 6.00pm in the Conference Room, City Campus

PRESENT: Mr J Barnett, Ms E Bass, Mr G Blyth, Mr T Crompton, Ms S Forster, Mrs C Gofton, Mr R Lawson (Chair), Mr P McEldon, Mr J Phillips, Mr K Ramanathas, Mr R Saelzer and Ms E Thinnesen

CLERK: Ms P Veitch

SpBd/16/13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Apologies were accepted from Mrs S Atkinson, Mrs A Hodgson and Mr H Kemp. The Clerk declared an interest in relation to item 15 and it was agreed that the Clerk would withdraw for that item with the minute taken by the Principal in the Clerk's absence.

SpBd/16/14 RECRUITMENT OF HARTLEPOOL SIXTH FORM COLLEGE (HSFC) GOVERNORS

Following the Board's decision to progress a merger B with HSFC there is a need for Governors of Sunderland College (SC) to consider the process for appointing HSFC Governors to its Board of Corporation post-merger.

Governors considered a recommendation from the Governance Committee to undertake a recruitment and selection process and agreed a skills questionnaire to be issued to SC Board members. The results of the questionnaire will inform skills and experience needs, and ensure that the balance of membership in terms of diversity is appropriate and represents the communities (and importantly, the parents and students) served by SC post-merger. Governors reviewed the process and agreed each HSFC Governor should be independently invited to express interest in joining SC Board.

The Board:

- i) Considered the report and appendices; and
- ii) Agreed the approach for the recruitment and selection of HSFC governors to be appointed to the Board of Sunderland College post-merger.

The Clerk withdrew from the meeting at 6.10pm

SpBd/16/15 FUTURE CLERKING ARRANGEMENTS

The Board:

- i) Approved the recruitment and selection of an interim independent Clerk;
- ii) Agreed a panel comprised of the Chair, Committee Chairs and Principal be appointed to undertake the recruitment and selection of a permanent part time Clerk/Governance Advisor in order to prepare a recommendation to the Board for approval.

SpBd/16/16 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Principal was presented with flowers by the Board for her birthday.

SpBd/16/17 DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is on Thursday 25th May 2017 at 6pm in the Conference room at City Campus.

The meeting closed at 6.17pm