

FGB Meeting 22 February 2023

Part One - Minutes

Present:

Victoria Abbott (VA)	Adam Boshoff (ACB)
Kyra Mumford (KM)	Amy Betterton (AB)
Tim Hingston (TH)	Tom Crees (TC)
Lucy Smith (LS)	Nigel Freeman (NF)
Aaron Twaits (AaT)	

In attendance:

Pam Langridge (Clerk)
Carolynne Ballard (Bursar)

Welcome / Apologies / Declarations

Governors accepted apologies from MM.
There were no business interests declared.

Constitution

Governors were advised Faye Messenger will not proceed with appointment so there is now a vacancy.

Minutes

Minutes were agreed and actions updated.

Chairs Update

Governors were advised that the LTP would like to welcome Moss Lane to join their MAT.

Governors were asked to report on their findings around LTP:

1. AaT reported positive impact at Loseley Fields who were complimentary of management team whilst retaining their autonomy and reflected on the improvement of staff CPD. Noted there will be an impact to work load when migrating systems.
2. TH reported a conversation with HT at Stoughton, one of the MAT founder schools who describe LTP as a oft MAT with teeth that has had a positive impact on the experience the children receive.
3. NF spoke with the Business Manager at Soughton who rated the experience of joining the MAT 9/10.
4. LS reported an anecdotal chat with a colleague who works at Loseley who was very positive about LTP.

It was agreed Governors should look closely at the financials of the LTP.

Next steps are to send an application to the Schools Commissioner to detail 1) we want to join a MAT and 2) we want to join LTP.

Governors agreed unanimously to proceed with application to join LTP.

It was noted that the timeline has been brought forward in line with deadline of 1st of month for Minister of Education. Aiming for 1 June 2023.

Governors agreed that after voting and contacting LTP with the outcome, next steps are to provide a period of consultation to all stakeholders (parents and staff).

GLP Update

Governors were advised that there is no longer any requirement to attend future GLP meetings.

GLP letter shared on Gov Files for reference updating their position.

Talk for Writing

Governors thanked AB for explaining the Talk for Writing scheme and presenting her report on the impact Talk for Writing has had within Moss Lane, including sharing some of the children's work.

Head Teacher Report

Governors thanked HT for report noting a positive set of data.

Governors were advised Moss Lane has retained SCL for breakfast club, PPA and after school clubs despite numerous redundancies locally.

Governors were advised the school will be trialling a weekend letting of 2 classrooms. It was noted that this may not be financially beneficial if the whole school requires heating and if there is disruption to classroom set up / resources.

Governor Lead Updates

Governors were advised AaT has completed Safer Recruitment Training and TC is booked in for 1 March.

Governors were encouraged to document training and visits using the template documents and submit to the Clerk for record keeping.

NF confirmed he would carry out a full audit of the school website in preparation for Ofsted inspection.

Governors were asked to update their profiles as required.

Governors were encouraged to visit the school to enhance knowledge of reading and phonics and to read the Ofsted schedule.

AaT confirmed the SFVS has been completed.

Policies

None to review.

Confidential Items

None.

Dates of Future Meetings

Finance only meetings 8am 17 March (ACB / AaT / VA / TC / CB).

Full Governing Board 26 April.