



**Pennine View School Local Governing Body
Business Meeting
Thursday 12th May 2022 at 09:30
Pennine View School**

| Those Present: | | |
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| Sarah Mulhall | Headteacher | SM |
| Emma Heyes | Chair/Safeguarding Link Governor | EH |
| Natasha Ellison | Staff Governor | NE |
| Kirsty Waddington | Parent Governor | KW |
| Chris Rowse | Governor – T&L Link Governor | CR |
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| Also Present: | | |
| Warren Carratt | CEO | CEO |
| Joel Hardwick | Assistant CEO | Clerk |
| Heather Partington | Deputy Headteacher | HP |
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| Apologies: | | |
| Sally Macdonald | Governor – Transitions Link Governor | SMa |
| Carole Lawrie | Parent Governor – Wellbeing Link Governor | CL |
| Catherine McLaughlin | Governor | CM |
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| No Apologies: | | |
| Kelly-Ann Robinson | Parent Governor – Wellbeing Link Governor | KAR |

| 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE | Actions |
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| <p>1.1. To receive apologies for absence</p> <p>Apologies were received for SMa, CM & CL.</p> | |
| <p>1.2. To accept apologies for absence</p> <p>Apologies were accepted for SMa, CM & CL.</p> | |
| 2. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS | |
| <p>2.1. Chair to determine any items of urgent business to be considered Chair to determine any items of urgent business.</p> <p>SM to hold elections for the staff governor vacancy in the summer term.</p> | <p>SM 30/06/22</p> |
| 3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS | |
| <p>3.1. Individual Governors to declare any personal, business or other governance interests on any item on the agenda</p> <p>There were no declarations received.</p> | |
| 4. PENNINE VIEW SCHOOL LOCAL GOVERNING BODY MINUTES | |
| <p>4.1. To approve the minutes of the following meeting:</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held 24th March 2022 were approved as a true record with no amendments.</p> | |
| <p>4.2. Review of Action Tracker</p> <p>The outstanding actions on the tracker were reviewed and updated.</p> | |
| <p>4.3. Matters arising from the Minutes</p> <p>EH asked what the plans were around the pupil parliament. SM described the next steps, including consideration of a school dog and links to the current curriculum themes.</p> <p>SM reported that PK, the Office Manager, has now left the school following a promotion outside of the Trust. A new Office Manager will be joining on 6th June.</p> <p>Under Action 6.1 SM provided an update to the LGB about pupils utilising alternative provision – each case is under continual review, looking towards the next steps in their education/career and communication with the provider and local authority is good.</p> | |
| 5. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED | |
| <p>5.1. Quality of Education</p> <p>SM reported back on the staff survey and talked through possible next steps to respond to the issues. ACTION: SM to consider an additional inset, disaggregated across the</p> | <p>SM 30/06/22</p> |

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| <p>school year (1-2 days per week where the TA time is extended by 20 minutes) to ultimately provide an enhancement to the school curriculum.</p> <p>SM talked through the reviews of curriculum areas including phonics, reading & writing, and maths. The peer review detailed in the paper (5.1a) took place in March and was a follow up to the deep dives and the B11 review in November. It was a very helpful experience; well timed to follow up the actions that have taken place since the previous B11 review. School leaders are taking forward the agreed actions. CR asked about writing stamina and whether this was a consistent issue across the age range and cohorts.</p> <p>HP gave a presentation to follow on from the governor development day and cover the circulated school improvement plan (5.1b) and SEF (5.1c). The presentation talked through how staffing structures and ways of working are addressing the current school improvement priorities and curriculum leadership. CEO asked where politics and democracy fits into the curriculum and HP described how this links in to different areas. HP/SM described the outcome of the very recent oracy review and that the headline feedback had been very positive. Governors thanked HP/SM for the presentation, which had been very helpful.</p> | |
| <p>5.2. Transition to Academy Council</p> <p>The CEO described the recent thinking around governance across the Trust, with a continual approach to reviewing, understanding, and renewing the best place for all the different roles and responsibilities. The CEO described the addition of Academy Councils, alongside LGBs, as an option for local school governance in the Trust scheme of delegation. In an Academy Council model, the focus of responsibility would be overview (including vision and values) and providing a strong community voice. The LGB were recommended to move to the Academy Council model from September.</p> <p>Governors discussed the model, how it works currently, and the changes proposed. Governors asked about the role, with reference to an area such as safeguarding, and what local governors bring to different areas. They discussed whether the model creates conflicts of interests, what the implications would be for individual governors, how Ofsted would view the model, and how it applying across the Trust.</p> <p>Governors asked the school leaders how they felt about the proposal and discussed the opportunities it could bring to increase the connectivity into school, by increasing the focus on this element with the reduction in formal meetings. Governors raised no further questions or objections to moving to an Academy Council from September.</p> | |
| <p>6. GOVERNANCE MATTERS</p> | |
| <p>6.1. Governors to complete Activity Log</p> <p>EH asked governors to pass on to clerkingservices@nexusmat.org if any have been completed.</p> | |
| <p>7. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS</p> | |

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| 8.1. To consider any other urgent business agreed by the Chair None. | |
| 8. CONFIDENTIALITY & RISK | |
| 8.1. To consider the confidentiality of any items discussed during the meeting None. | |
| 8.2. To consider any areas of risk discussed during the meeting None. | |

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| 9. DATES OF NEXT MEETING | |
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| Thursday 30 th June 2022 | 09:30 – 11:30 | Pennine View School | Business Meeting |
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Minutes approved

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