

HADRIAN LEARNING TRUST

Minutes for Meeting of Board of Trustees

6pm, Wednesday 9 December 2020

Sixth form room, QEHS

In attendance: Graeme Atkins (GA), Veryan Johnston (VJ), Kate Chaplin (KC), David Hartland (DH), Tony Brown (TB), Johnathan Holmes (JH), Barbara Hignett (BH), Sarah Kemp (SKe)

Also attending: Charlotte Gaines (CG, Clerk to Trust Board)

Part 1 Classified Non-Confidential

1) Apologies

No apologies for non-attendance were received.

2) Declaration of pecuniary, business or personal interests

No declarations of pecuniary, business or personal interest were made in addition to those already recorded in the Register of Interests.

3) Governance arrangements until appointment of substantive Chair and Vice Chair

Trustees discussed the need for an interim Chair and Vice Chair following the resignation of Ski. DH suggested that, unless anyone felt strongly that they would like to volunteer in the interim, he should act as Chair for this meeting and a new Chair and Vice Chair should be appointed at the January meeting. Trustees agreed.

4) Filling temporary vacancies in the following committees

- **Finance and Audit**

VJ was appointed to the Finance and Audit Committee

- **HR&PM**

SKe was appointed to the HR&PM Committee.

DH thanked VJ and SKe for volunteering to join the committees.

5) Minutes of meetings - approval and matters arising

The Minutes of the following meetings, having been circulated to Trustees, were adopted as a true record.

- Hadrian Learning Trust Board – 11 November 2020 – Part 1

6) Update on COVID 19 control measures and risk assessments

GA provided Trustees with a verbal update regarding the spike in cases at HMS resulting in large numbers of students self-isolating as close contacts. He noted that the school had managed well operationally and that the parents felt well informed.

GA advised Trustees that the government have announced that schools can move an inset day from next year to the last Friday of term. He noted that the inset days have already been allocated and this will not be possible at QHES and HMS.

DH asked how many students have had multiple periods of self-isolation. GA confirmed that there a small number at HMS.

GA advised that LH is contacting those students working from home. Feedback is positive. QEHS has moved to some live lessons and staff at home as contacts are delivering lessons broadcast in lessons. JH asked if these could be rolled out before a further spike in cases. GA advised rollout is possible up to a point but noted it is subject dependant and being rolled out in an informed way through the CLs. DH suggested that a hybrid approach is difficult to manage.

Urgent business with agreement of the Chair

None.

Close and confirm date of next meeting

Part 1 of the meeting was concluded.

The date of the next Part 1 meeting will take place on Wednesday 20 January 2021.

Trustees moved onto Part 2 of the agenda.