

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CORPORATION HELD ON
TUESDAY, 16 MAY 2023**

Present:

Steve Cooper (Vice-Chair)
Lord Bassam
Chris Bennett
Dr Roy Bowden
Martin Colyer
Nick Fox
Andrew Green
David Jones
Paul Lansdowne - Staff Governor
Ryan Sallows
Donna Turner-Irwin - Staff Governor
Caroline Wood

In Attendance:

Sally Challis-Manning MBE, Principal of Crawley College and Brinsbury College
Helen Loftus, Principal, Chichester College
Paul Riley, Principal, Brighton Met and Haywards Heath College
Jon Rollings, Chief Operating Officer
Helena Thomas, Principal, Northbrook College and Worthing College
Catherine Vinall, Clerk to the Corporation

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

126. Apologies for absence were received from Helen Kilpatrick CB, Ellen Walsh, Tosin Adebisi, Richard Moore, Nick Sutherland, Paul Wright, Keira Embleton, Jane Dodsworth and Dr James Sarmaçanic. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair, Steve Cooper, took the chair for the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

127. The Chair drew the attention of Governors and those in attendance at the meeting to the requirement to declare any interests they might have in any of the items on the agenda, as detailed on the agenda sheet.

APPOINTMENT OF CORPORATION MEMBERS

128. The Corporation received for consideration a report in relation to the appointment of a new Governors.

Copy attached at APPENDIX 1.

129. Catherine Vinall reminded the Corporation that there were a number of vacancies for members at present. The Governance & Search Committee had met with Tom Simmonds and recommended his appointment as a Governor. Tom started his career as an apprentice. Alongside his own business interests, Tom had demonstrated a commitment to the development of training in the fire industry. He had previous experience in education governance as a former school Governor. Tom would also bring previous board experience and an entrepreneurial mind-set to the Corporation. It was

Resolved

To appoint Tom Simmonds as a Governor, with immediate effect for a four year term of office.

CHICHESTER COLLEGE GROUP STUDENT UNION CONSTITUION

130. The Corporation received for consideration the updated Student Union Constitution.

Copy attached at APPENDIX 2.

131. The Corporation discussed the changes to the Constitution which included introducing a President for each College within the Group. It was queried whether the hours allocated to the President role would be sufficient and suggested that this could be reviewed after the first year of operation. It was

Resolved

That the Student Union Constitution be approved, as set out at APPENDIX 2.

CCG ACCOUNTABILITY STATEMENT

132. The Corporation received Chichester College Group's Accountability Statement.

Copy attached at APPENDIX 3.

133. Catherine Vinall reminded the Corporation that there was a new requirement for colleges to approve and submit an Accountability Statement to the DfE by the end of May. After further discussion it was

Resolved

That the Accountability Statement be approved in principle. The final version would be submitted to the DfE by the end of May 2023.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

134. It was noted that the next meeting of the Corporation would take place on Wednesday, 5 July 2023.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

135. Steve Cooper invited members of the Corporation to suggest whether any items of business considered at the meeting could have been dealt with in a different or more appropriate manner by making their views known to himself or the Clerk.