

Chesterton Community College

LGB Meeting

Minutes from the 12th March 2018

Present: Helen Arnold (HA), Kath Hutchinson (KH), Colleen Lehane (CL), Lucy Lewis (LL), Leonie Isaacson (LI), Roger Mann (RM), Eva Pepper (EP), Simon Peyton-Jones (SPJ), Alison Bigglestone (AB), Mike Gordon (MG), Lucy Scott (LS), Martin Russell (MR), Shahida Rahman (SR), Peter Rodgers (PR), Luke Tunmer (LT), Tim Spencer (TS), Donna Hubbard-Young (DHY), Erinn Heggan (EH) and Suzanne Izzard (SI)

Roger Mann welcomed everybody to the meeting.

1. **Apologies:** Clare Hargraves, Lynsey Rooker and Michaela Eschbach.
2. **Declaration of Interests:** None.
3. **Minutes of the last meeting (29th January 2018):** These were agreed and signed as a true record by the Chair.
4. **Matters Arising:** Parents update on advice of how to control the emails received from Edmodo. LS added that RA will update as soon as a resolution from the external company has been explored.
5. **Student Council:** Amanda Saliba (English teacher) introduced herself and the three students and explained how she has recently taken on the role of overseeing the student council. The structure and meeting planner of the house council was discussed. Governors asked what has successfully come out from the student suggestions, to which the students spoke about extra curriculum and the new animation club. Governors questioned who gets chosen for house council, to which RE told the committee form tutors nominate and HOH make the decision. The students are then rotated on a yearly basis. Governors asked the students what their thoughts were on the new build, to which they replied it was a positive general feel amongst friends. They had concerns about the impact of the noise during the new build. LS ensured governors that procedures were in place to ensure disruption is minimal.
6. **Maths Faculty:** Jo Scholten introduced herself as Head of Maths at Chesterton and went through a report covering the following areas:
 - Vision for the Department
 - 2017 Results
 - Mock Results and Potentials 2018
 - Pupil Premium Intervention
 - Overview of schemes of learning- examples of mathswatch and schemes of learning were shown to the committee.
 - Staff structure 2017/2018
 - Staff Structure 2018/2019

- What Next: This included, the new build, shared resources, further develop independent working, more focus on supporting underachievers, more P7 classes and staff support.

7. **Financial Update:** MR explained that the new finance system is in place and is being looked at all the time. The next step is to design a trust structure and cost out to school accordingly. Training requests are high due to staff attending safeguarding training courses. The H&S budget has exceeded. MR added that he was confident about how things are shaping together. Governors queried the energy infrastructure and if this has come in budget, to which MR replied it is nearly finished and has come in on budget.

8. **SLT Report: LS went through the SLT report covering the following areas:**

- New Build
- Teaching School Application
- AGM
- Wow lessons
- Link Governor visits
- Realising Potential Leads and Learning Mentor
- PP Cultural Enrichment Project
- Admissions
- Mandarin Excellence Programme

9. **School Redevelopment Project:** MR showed the governors the final plans for the new build which is due to start next week. The layout of each section was explained in detail to governors. Governors had some concerns regarding the Sports Centre losing a couple of spaces, to which MR explained that they will lose two toilets, a manager's office and the physio room. Solutions are being looked at to put these back in at a later date. This will impact the Sports Centre for potentially two months. Edit Tokorsci (Sports Centre Manager) is happy with the arrangements at present. Exam times were discussed and it was added that these would be taking place in the sports Centre which would be the furthest away from any disruption. Practice mocks have already taken place in there and gone well. Governors mentioned the possibility of getting a small capital grant from the Arts Council, to which it was recommended that MR look into this further. MR added that the build is due to be completed by July 2019. The car park was discussed and the impact of losing staff parking spaces. SPJ added that regular communication to both staff and parents will be vital.
Action: MR to look into the Arts Council capital grant.

10. **Chesterton Reports:** Governors to look and email LS with any queries.

11. **Governor Visits:** Governors to look and email LS with any queries.

12. **Sports Centre:** Nothing to add.

13. **Trust Update:** LS told the committee that the board are interviewing for new member tomorrow. Graham Virgo is to become a member of the Trust. Godmanchester and the Maths school were touched upon and governors were updated of where we are in the process so far.

14. **AOB:** RM added that Masum Shakil was standing down as community governor. It was suggested that governors email RM with any suggestions of potential nominees for the role.

15. Date of next meeting: 30th April 2018

This meeting closed at 5.40pm