

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CORPORATION HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28 MARCH 2018 AT 6 PM IN THE BOARDROOM AT STAFFORD COLLEGE

Present: Alan Aston, Karen Dobson, Martin Earnshaw, Steve Jones, Simon Leech (Chair), Bernard Lovatt, Lesley Rollason, Jim Rowley, Lynsey Shearsmith, Francis Tunney

In attendance: Craig Hodgson (Vice Principal), Ian Hookway (Director of HR & Communication), Carol Thomas (Director of Curriculum & Performance), Carl Riding (Assistant Principal Strategic Partnerships), John Prescott (Clerk), Joy Smith (Deputy Clerk)

Part 1

18.1.1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Syd Birkin, Lesley Morrey, Jeff Dutton, Charlie Awde, Nikhil Aggarwal, Gareth Jones and Jeremy Pert.

18.1.2 Declarations of Interest

Karen Dobson, Craig Hodgson and Simon Leech declared an interest as non-remunerated Directors of Axia Solutions Ltd and Gradbach Ltd.

18.1.3 Minutes of the Meeting held on 6 December 2017 - Part 1

Approved as a true record of the meeting.

18.1.4 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

18.1.5 Minutes of the Committee Meetings

- Education & Standards - 19 March 2018

Lesley reported on the main issues considered at the meeting. Members had been particularly impressed by the breadth of work carried out by the Schools Liaison Team which was covered in Gareth Hughes' presentation. The anticipated overall achievement data had been considered and members agreed that this was a very positive picture. The continuing significant challenge with English and maths was noted. Members had been pleased to note the merged College's position in the national achievement data tables.

18.1.6 Principal's Report - Part 1

1.1 Rotary Youth Speaks

Members noted that a group of NULC students had, once again, represented the College at the Rotary Youth Speaks competition and had done a fantastic job articulating their argument and making the judges sit up and listen.

1.2 Guild of Bricklayers

Members congratulated Sam Yeomans and Lee Woodward on their recent successes at the Guild of Bricklayers regional finals.

1.3 SEMTA Skills Awards

Tom French was also congratulated on winning the Higher Apprentice of the Year category at this year's SEMTA Skills awards.

1.4 The Last Reel

Members were delighted to learn of Elliot Collier's success when he won Best Short Film and was voted Overall Winner at this year's BFI Film Awards.

1.5 Sporting Successes

Members were pleased to note the latest sporting achievements and sent a message of good luck to the students competing at the forthcoming AoC National Championships.

2.1 Lego Tournament

Karen was delighted to confirm that the *FIRST*®LEGO® League Regional Tournament hosted by the College had been a great success.

2.2 Marketing Award

Members congratulated the College's Marketing team who won the Promoting Apprenticeships Campaign of the Year at the recent AoC 2018 Awards. Karen added that, considering the issue relating to the non-levy tender, it is especially gratifying that our work has been recognised.

2.3 Duke of Edinburgh Event

Members were pleased to note that Karen had been invited to the Duke of Edinburgh event at Buckingham Palace in May.

2.4 Governor/Manager Seminar

Members were reminded of the forthcoming event at Gradbach for which Joy will share the papers nearer to the time.

18.1.7 **Key Performance Indicator Report to the Corporation**

Members noted the snapshot of our current position against the KPIs. Carol added that TLAs are virtually complete and the predicted achievement rate and updated progress details are included in the report.