



MINUTES OF THE HARINGTON SCHOOL LGB MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2019 FROM 8AM

Present: Rob Guthrie (Chair), John Harrison (Head of School), Stuart

Williams (Executive Principal, RDSF), Peter Moody, Andreas Menzies, Tom Foxall, Liz Birchall, Dyl Powell, Andrew Wright, Jay

Banerjee, Henry Price and Joan Gibson

Absent: Geoff Thompson In attendance: Sara Kane (Clerk)

Stephanie Preen (Designated Safeguarding Lead)

1. Safeguarding Training

Stephanie Preen (DSL) provided the Federation's safeguarding training to governors and highlighted the potential safeguarding concerns that could arise at Harington.

It was agreed that a safeguarding audit would take place on Wednesday 18 December where three governors would meet with Steph Preen and undertake a safeguarding audit. This would enable a group of governors to scrutinise the strategic documentation around safeguarding and feedback at the next meeting.

2. Welcome and Introduction

Rob Guthrie introduced and welcomed Henry Price to the governing body in his role as Head of Oakham School. Rob Guthrie highlighted the importance of Oakham School in the birth and development of Harington.

3. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Ben Solly, Natalie Ray and Virginia Savage.

4. Declarations of Personal and Pecuniary Interests.
None.

5. Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 26 September 2019 and matters arising

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 26 September 2019 were agreed to be a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.

Arising from 6. Transformation Plan 2019-2020- John Harrison agreed to share the context and analysis surrounding the additional maths intervention for science students at the next meeting. Parents have been informed of the additional intervention sessions and these have been well received.

John Harrison

Action

Audit

Safeguarding

Governors

6. Clerk's Business

Sara Kane highlighted the terms of office of the governors and the procedure for the re-election of the differing types of governors

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which make up the Local Governing Body. Sara Kane explained the process and the importance of the governing body being quorate.

The training sessions offered by the NGA and the RTA were highlighted. Sara Kane explained that the RTA had offered to provide local bespoke training for the governing body. Sara Kane highlighted the importance of training for governance and Ofsted's requirement. If governors are interested in undertaking training please contact Sara Kane.

All governors

7. Economics Subject Review Report

The Economics review had recently taken place and the report following this had been circulated to governors.

Stuart Williams explained the rationale behind the review, Economics had a relatively new teaching team along with a new examination board. Subject reviews are taking place across the federation.

John Harrison explained that he had met with the teaching staff following the review. The report had also been shared with all teaching staff across the School to be transparent and share good practice at the agreement of the staff involved in the review.

The way in which students could be supported further were highlighted. Overall the review had been positive. Lessons had been observed by senior teachers, work samples taken and students had met with John Harrison and Stuart Williams to provide feedback. It was reported that students feel supported.

The Biology subject review will take place at the end of term. John Harrison will feedback to the governing body at the next meeting.

John Harrison

8. Head of School Report

John Harrison circulated his report prior to the meeting. He outlined key points.

9. Student Admissions Scorecard

Following last year's admissions process it has been agreed to deploy more staff on GCSE results day to assist with the administration. Also the way in which the admissions process is managed and data collected will be streamlined, which will provide further information on prediction of numbers, grades and subject choices. The circulated scorecard showed an analysis of the data collected. This shows where students are applying from and assists in curriculum planning.

John Harrison reported that ex Catmose students had recently attended a post 16 afternoon at the College. Psychology and Economics taster sessions are also taking place for Catmose students.

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It is hoped that more students from Catmose will apply to attend Harington next year. Stuart Williams explained that he meets with every Year 11 student on a one-to-one basis to discuss their future path. When applying for Harington, John Harrison also carries out individual interviews.

10. Rutland County Council Letter

The Rutland County Council individual school scorecard base line data believes that Harington School is a Low priority school. This is based upon results and Ofsted grading.

11. Any Other Business

Jay Banerjee was thanked by John Harrison and Stuart Williams for his suggestion of regular student surveys. This has now been successfully rolled out across Harington and Catmose. An overview will be included in the next Head of School Report.

John Harrison

Governors were reminded of the presentation evening on Tuesday 17 December. The School would be delighted if governors were able to attend.

Governors were also reminded of the Christmas concert on Wednesday 18 December. If governors wish to attend they were asked to contact the Sara Kane.

Rob Guthrie reported that he is unable to Chair the next LGB meeting. Peter Moody will Chair the meeting in his capacity as Vice Chair.

Key Dates

Presentation Evening -Tuesday 17 December 2019 6.30pm Christmas Concert – Wednesday 18 December 7.30pm, All Saints Church, Oakham

LGB HARINGTON SCHOOL @ 8AM

Term 3: Thursday 6 February 2020

Term 4: Thursday 26 March 2020

Scrutiny Thursday 26 March 10-11.30am.

Term 5: Thursday 21 May 2020

Term 6: Thursday 2 July 2020 - 5pm at Catmose College

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