

EDUCATION (APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNORS) PANEL

AGENDA

**Meeting to be held in the Civic Centre (Committee Room No. 1) on
Monday 8 November 2010 at 5.15 p.m.**

ITEM	PAGE
1. Declarations of Interest (if any)	
2. Apologies for Absence	
3. Minutes of the last meeting of the Panel held on 10 October 2010	1
(Copy herewith).	
4. Consideration of Candidates for Inclusion on the Approved List	
(Copy to follow).	
5. Governing Body Nominations	
(Copy to follow).	
6. Vacancies to be Filled	
(Copy to follow).	

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Head of Law and Governance

Civic Centre,
SUNDERLAND.

29 October 2010

At a meeting of the EDUCATION (APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNORS) PANEL held in the CIVIC CENTRE, SUNDERLAND on MONDAY 11 OCTOBER 2010 at 5.15 pm

Present: -

Councillor Bell in the Chair

Councillors Emerson, Fletcher, Kay, McClennan, Oliver, Richardson, Shattock and Snowdon.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Walton and Mrs D. Elliott.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Minutes

8. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Panel held on 13 September 2010 (copy circulated) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Consideration of Candidates for Inclusion on the Approved List

The Acting Executive Director of Children's Services submitted a report and tabled an addendum on applications received for inclusion on the list of approved candidates for appointment as LEA Governors.

Consideration having been given to the applications received, it was: -

9. RESOLVED that the Acting Executive Director of Children's Services be authorised to include the following candidates on the approved list of candidates for appointment as LEA Governors: -

Adam B. Robertson
Paula Stewart
Ronald Cruikshanks

Rules of Procedure – Implementation of Rule 2(IV)(E)

The Acting Executive Director of Children's Services submitted a report concerning vacancies to be filled by the Panel in accordance with Rule 2(IV)(E) of its Rules of Procedure which stated that where the Ward Councillors had not made a nomination by the expiry of the term after the term in which the vacancies originally arose, those vacancies were eligible to be filled from the approved list.

10. RESOLVED that the nomination for Adam B. Robertson as detailed in the report be approved.

Governing Body Nominations

The Acting Executive Director of Children's Services submitted a report and tabled an addendum on nominations received for appointments to various governing bodies.

Upon discussion, it was: -

11. RESOLVED that the following nominations be approved:-

Councillor Robert Francis
Paula Stewart
Ronald Cruikshanks.

Appointment of Additional Authority Governors to Washington School

Following an OFSTED Inspection in June 2010, Washington School was placed into special measures and under the Schools Standard and Framework Act 1998 (Chapter IV, Sections 14, 15 and 16), the Local Authority were given powers of intervention and the power to appoint additional Local Authority Governors.

Councillor Oliver asked if there had been any progress regarding finding suitable additional Governors with experience in education such as former headteachers.

The Deputy Team Leader, Governor Support reported that no response had been received but candidates were still being sought.

12. RESOLVED that the following additional Governors be appointed to the Governing Body of Washington School:-

Councillor G. Miller
Councillor J. Kelly

(Signed) R. BELL
Chairman

CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR INCLUSION ON APPROVED LIST AT A MEETING OF THE EDUCATION (APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNORS) PANEL HELD ON MONDAY 8th NOVEMBER 2010

Name, address and occupation	Is there a particular school (or schools) that you would like to serve as an L.E.A. governor?	What commitment can you give to the role of L.E.A. Governor?	Do you have any previous educational (or other) experience, which will assist you in the role of L.E.A. Governor?	Are you a member of any local voluntary groups or organisations, or are you involved in any community activities?	Are there any additional comments that you would like to make in support of your application to become an L.E.A. Governor?
<p>Laura Brewis Address supplied on file</p>	<p>Redby Primary School</p>	<p>I am extremely keen to get involved in the local community and can devote significant time to this role. As I work on a freelance basis, I can be flexible with my time commitment.</p>	<p>I gained a first class honours degree in English Literature at Newcastle University in 2005 and have now embarked on an MA in Literacy Studies. I am currently self-employed as a freelance arts journalist and arts professional, specialising in coordinating books events. I recognise the importance of reading, writing and arts activity to a child's future and would love to get more involved in the promotion of this within a local school.</p>	<p>My interest in becoming a school governor is rooted in the experience I have pursued in my professional and personal life. I am an active member of the local community (within the local labour party and a volunteer with Wearside Women in need) and believe that a commitment to good schools and a quality education of young people is of central importance to the future of the city.</p>	<p>I can also contribute admin and financial management experience which I have gained throughout my working life. Obviously, managing myself as a freelance demands high levels of organisation and the management of budgets. However I have also have more formal experience, working as an arts administrator at the Arts Council (covering a maternity leave) and on a freelance basis for six months at the Waygood Gallery in Newcastle. I also work regularly for New Writing North, a literacy development agency based in Newcastle, first as an volunteer (2006) and currently as an freelance employee in their financial administration office. Working closely with the Office Manager, this work involves the updating and maintenance of the accounting databases, budget management, the preparation of financial reports for projects and cash flow forecasting.</p>

Shannon Dixon Address supplied on file	Millfield Nursery School	I am available afternoons and evenings.	I have two months experience within a Surestart centre.		I would like to commit some time to the young people within the Education System. I think it is important that all young people receive a sound educational background.
Name, address and occupation	Is there a particular school (or schools) that you would like to serve as an L.E.A. governor?	What commitment can you give to the role of L.E.A. Governor?	Do you have any previous educational (or other) experience, which will assist you in the role of L.E.A. Governor?	Are you a member of any local voluntary groups or organisations, or are you involved in any community activities?	Are there any additional comments that you would like to make in support of your application to become an L.E.A. Governor?
Elisabeth Ann Owen Address supplied on file	Houghton Community Nursery School	I am available most evenings and Tuesdays and Thursdays during the day. I can do Monday, Wednesday and Fridays but only occasionally.		I am Secretary for Houghton Racecourse Community Access Point, A Committee member of RacecourseCA. I am also a former member of the Coalfield Forum Committee and I am an active member of the Labour Party.	Whilst it is a long time since I did any formal education I feel that my experience in the voluntary sector could be of use in the role of School Governor and I am willing to undertake any training necessary to carry out this post at either or both schools.
Cristopher David Johnson Address supplied on file	Diamond Hall Junior School	I do work full time but could still give a few hours per week.	Not specifically educational, my experience coming from Business and Finance.	Active member of the Labour Party (Sunderland Central/Barnes Ward) Member of the CBI Future Leaders Programme Active Partner in a number of regeneration groups in Teesside.	I have strong interest in the Economic regeneration of Sunderland and the North East, both from a business and personnel perspective. Having attended St Aidan's School in Sunderland and only recently returned to the City. I am keen to contribute in any way I can to the ongoing success of the City.

Keith McCririck Address supplied on file	Springwell Dene School	I am willing to commit as much time as is needed to fulfil my role.		Caseworker for Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen & Families Ass Forces Help Charity. Member of Sunderland Community Spirit. Committee member with Disability Gateshead.	I would look forward to assisting schools in all areas to achieve greater success.
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Background Papers

Application to Serve as Local Education Authority School Governor.

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8th NOVEMBER 2010

GOVERNING BODY NOMINATIONS

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

The following nominations have been received:-

Nomination	School	Nominated by
Stephen Dagg Address supplied on file	Thorney Close Primary School	** Existing governor seeking re-appointment
Cllr A Hall Address supplied on file	Our Lady Queen of Peace RC Primary School	** Existing governor seeking re-appointment
Mr C D Marshall Address supplied on file	Seaburn Dene Primary School	** Existing governor seeking re-appointment
Cllr T Martin Address supplied on file	Valley Road Community Primary School	** Existing governor seeking re-appointment
Mrs K Nichols Address supplied on file	Rickleton Primary School	** Existing governor seeking re-appointment
Mr G Potter Address supplied on file	Biddick Sports College	** Existing governor seeking re-appointment
Cllr D Richardson Address supplied on file	Dubmire Primary School	** Existing governor seeking re-appointment
Cllr D Tate Address supplied on file	Hetton Lyons Nursery School	Cllr J Blackburn
Mrs L J Woodcock Address supplied on file	New Silksworth Junior School	** Existing governor seeking re-appointment

*** The terms of office of these governors have expired. The governors have been contacted and are willing to serve a further term of office.*

Members of the panel are asked to approve the above nomination.

Background Papers

No background Papers were used

LEA Approved List - Vacancies to be filled by the Education (Appointment of Governors) Panel 8th November 2010

Rules of procedure - in accordance with rule 2 (iv)(e), where the ward councillor(s) has/have not made a nomination by the expiry of the term after the term in which the vacancy originally arose, the vacancy will be eligible to be filled from the approved list.

Members are asked to consider the following:-

Name & Address	School Preference	Vacancy available
Laura Brewis Address supplied on file	Redby Primary School	<i>Seaburn Dene Primary School (1 minority)</i>
Shannon Dixon Address supplied on file	Millfield Nursery School	<i>Millfield Nursery School (1 majority)</i>
Elisabeth Ann Owen Address supplied on file	Houghton Community Nursery School	<i>Houghton Community Nursery (1 majority)</i>
Cristopher David Johnson Address supplied on file	Diamond Hall Junior School	<i>Diamond Hall Junior School (1 majority)</i>
Keith McCririck Address supplied on file	Springwell Dene School	<i>Springwell Dene School (1 majority)</i>

Background Papers

Education (Appointment of Governors) Panel - Rules and Procedure

