

At a meeting of the EDUCATION (APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNORS) PANEL held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE on MONDAY 14 JUNE 2021 at 5.45 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Williams in the Chair

Councillors Hartnack, Nicholson, Noble, Rowntree, Scanlan and G. Smith

Also Present:-

Zena Wilkinson, Team Leader, Governors' Support Team, Together for Children Hazel Mackel, Executive Governance Services Team Leader

Declarations of Interest

None.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors E. Gibson, McClennan and Mckeith.

Minutes

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Panel held on 22 March 2021 (copy circulated) be confirmed as a correct record.

Consideration of Candidates for Inclusion on the Approved List

The Director of Children's Services submitted a report and a supplementary report on the following applications received for inclusion on the list of approved candidates for appointment as Local Authority Governors:-

Mr A. Brewis – New Penshaw Primary School Councillor U. Ali (Sunderland City Council) – St. Paul's RC Primary School

(For copy report– see original minutes).

Ms Wilkinson reported that there was a further nomination to consider and invited Councillor Hartnack to give a verbal update.

Councillor Hartnack reported that he was the Chair of the Governing Body of Grange Park Primary School and they had recently concluded a review of the governance arrangements at the School. He advised that the review had concluded that there was a need for Local Authority representative to be included on the Governing Body and they had approached Councillor A. Samuels as she was the only Ward Councillor that was not a current Governor of a School. He explained that both the Governing Body and Councillor Samuels were keen for her to serve as a Governor to provide a valuable link between the Council and the School.

Ms Wilkinson assured the Panel that all necessary documentation would be completed retrospectively in respect of Councillor Samuels.

Following consideration of the applications, it was:-

2. RESOLVED that the Director of Children's Services be authorised to include Mr A. Brewis together with Councillors Ali and Samuels on the list of approved candidates for appointment as Local Authority Governors.

Governing Board Nominations

The Director of Children's Services submitted a report and a supplementary report seeking the nomination of the following approved candidates to the schools indicated below:-

Councillor U. Ali (Sunderland City Council) – St. Paul's RC Primary School Mr A. Brewis – New Penshaw Primary School Councillor A. Samuels (Sunderland City Council) – Grange Park Primary School

(For copy report and supplementary – see original minutes).

Consideration having been given to the reports, it was:-

3. RESOLVED that the nominations be approved.

(Signed) L. WILLIAMS, Chair.