

THE GOVERNING BODY OF ALMA PRIMARY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE SCHOOL ON
Wednesday 5 June 2019

Present:

Ilan Jacobs (Chair and chairing this meeting)
David Steadman
David Grunwald
Andrew Sutcliffe
Emma Davies

Jean Linsky
Ed Lewin
Sammy Rosehill (Assistant Headteacher)
Sophie Fenton
Marc Shoffren (Headteacher)

In attendance:

Vered Simons Rose (Assistant Head Teacher)
Jeanie Horowitz (Jewish Learning Leader)
Rachel Clark (Inclusion Leader)

ACCEPTANCE/NON-ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Deborah Brooks, Alistair Falk, Natalie Grazin and Rina Wolfson.

DECLARATION OF ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT PERSONAL INTEREST

In the last Governing Body meeting (13 Feb 2019) the Clerk was asked to ascertain whether there is a necessity for Governors to provide information on their personal interests at each meeting.

The Chair reported on the Clerk's feedback on this matter saying that it is important that at Alma we comply with the relevant principles as set out in the Academies Financial Handbook by ensuring that there is a register of interests, and that should be reviewed annually. However, there is no need for Governors to repeat their declaration at the start of every meeting. If any Governor is aware of a new conflict of interest, he or she should notify the Clerk and raise it at the next GB meeting.

ACTION: From the next Governing Body meeting this item will be removed from each formal agenda.

CHANGES ON GOVERNING BODY

The Chair reported on the recent resignations of Emma Goldstone and Councillor Richard Cornelius from the Governing Body and expressed the Governing Body's thanks for their service.

SAFEGUARDING POLICY

DECISION: The Chair of Children's Committee presented the school's revised Safeguarding Policy which was approved by the Governing Body and will now be placed on the school's website.

PART 1 AND PART 2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 FEBRUARY 2019

No amendments were proposed or agreed to those minutes, which were formerly approved.

FEEDBACK ON OFSTED

Governors discussed the recent Ofsted inspection and the next steps for the school.

RELATIONSHIPS AND SEX EDUCATION (RSE)

Sammy Rosehill gave a brief report on the school's approach to RSE.

FEEDBACK ON ETHOS DEVELOPMENT

The Chair introduced the Ethos and Vision project that David Steadman has been leading. The purpose of the work has been to review the school's Ethos and Vision, update the wording and ensure that it is still fit for purpose. David Steadman presented his report and his key recommendations. A discussion followed of the key elements of the proposed revised Ethos Statement.

DECISION: Governors approved the broad direction of the revised Vision and Ethos statement. Comments on specific wording will be sent to David Steadman for revising and the final version will be re-circulated for approval.