



TRUST BOARD LEARNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Meeting of the Learning Committee of the Trust Board of South East Cornwall Multi Academy Regional Trust held at Liskeard School & Community College School on Tuesday 15th October 2019 at 6.30 pm.

Present	Yes/No		Yes/No
Mrs H Casson	Yes	Mr R Newton Chance	Yes
Mr J Crisp - Chair	Yes		

In Attendance: Mr D Buckley, CEO
Mrs K Williams, Clerk to Trust Board

1. **Welcome and Evacuation Procedure**
The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. The evacuation procedure was explained.
2. **Declaration of Business or Pecuniary Interest and Academy-related parties - update on any changes since completion of written declaration**
None
3. **Apologies for Absence**
All present.
4. **Approval of minutes of meeting held on 06-06-2019**
The minutes of the meetings held on 6th June 2019, having been circulated in advance of the meeting, were agreed as an accurate of the meeting and signed.
5. **Matters Arising**
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M9. Issues from recent OFSTED visit to Looe
Further to the meeting, Mr Newton Chance will arrange to meet the Chair and Headteacher prior to the Peer Review as part of the framing of the review and that this part of the process would be added to all future Peer Reviews.
 - a) Update: Mr Newton Chance advised that he met with the CoG and the Headteacher at the school on the 3rd July prior to the Peer Review. Mr Newton Chance discussed the ASP data with them and the outliers and noted that 9 outliers were not disadvantaged. It was discussed that some of the data in the Headteacher's report was not correct and this would invite challenge from governors and Trustees.
 - b) **A Trustee noted that he would be attending the Looe governor day next month and queried if should he discuss the outcome of the Peer Review during this visit.** Mr Buckley explained that the pastoral team has been strengthened and student behaviour has been improved as a result but these are still key areas for monitoring.
 - c) It was discussed that a focus of the review had been to check more-able students were having their needs met and to check the school's ability to meet these needs. The school is operating above average and the successes of the school need to be promoted more in the local community. **A Trustee asked if progress has been made on student attendance.** Mr Buckley explained that this had improved overall but has decreased at the end of last term.
 - d) Mr Newton Chance has also met with the Chair of Governor at Dobwalls prior to the recent Peer

Review. **A Trustee asked if there is evidence of the impact of the Peer Reviews.** Mr Buckley explained that we can demonstrate movement from one visit to the next and the leadership skills of the SLT (Senior Leadership Team) are enhanced by this process.

e) Confidential Appendix

6. **Headteachers' Reports focusing on 2019 examination results**

a) **A Trustee referred to the Liskeard School & Community College trend and context section and queried what is meant by value added measures.** Mr Buckley explained that a deeper and wider ranging review has been requested by Mr Lingard at Liskeard in light of a potential Ofsted visit.

b) Confidential Appendix

It was noted that a further full review at Liskeard School & Community College might not be possible to complete as they are due an imminent Ofsted visit. **Trustees discussed that the outcomes of our young children should be our priority and more important than Ofsted.** It was recommended that providing staff with thinking time is prioritised.

c) Confidential Appendix

d) **A Trustee asked for clarification on recommendation 5.** and Mr Buckley explained that this related to the time and space requested by Mr Lingard for an in depth review.

e) **A Trustee queried the summer 2019 results at Saltash.** Mr Buckley explained that the ability profile of the outgoing year 11 was the same as the previous year.

7. **Minutes from LGC meetings**

a) The Clerk advised that she has used colour coding for the LGC (Local Governing Committee) minutes to help Trustees more easily identify when the governors are challenging the red and yellow risk areas in the Headteacher's report or if there is a data discrepancy.

8. **Issues raised by the LGCs – none for this meeting.**

None

9. **Strategic Risk**

a) Mr Buckley explained that the Risk Registers have been reviewed and amalgamated following recommendations by the ESFA and model documents. The 28 key risks have been identified. **A Trustee asks who moderates the Risk Registers** and Mr Buckley will undertake this task.

b) This document will be circulated for the next Trust Board meeting.

10. **Review of Policies:**

a) EYFS – No substantive changes. Trustees agreed to recommend this policy for final approval by the Trust Board.

b) SEND – no substantive changes. Trustees agreed to recommend this policy for final approval by the Trust Board.

11. **Guidance/instructions to LGCs**

a) None.

b) Confidential Appendix

12. **Outcome of Survey**

a) Mr Newton Chance clarified the intention of the survey but explained that the delivery was not

as hoped. It was noted that the free text should not have been used and the process will be tightened up for next year.

- b) The stakeholder survey was circulated to parents, staff and students. It was clear from the results that stakeholders are not aware of who and what SMART are.
- c) The SoD (Scheme of Delegation) advises that Trustees should be seeking stakeholder feedback annually.

13. **Date of next meetings:**

13-01-2019 and 28-04-2019 at 5.30 pm at Liskeard School & Community College

The meeting closed at 20.15.