

**GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CITY
OF LONDON SCHOOL**

Thursday, 25 February 2021

Minutes of the meeting of the Governance Committee of the Board of Governors of the City of London School held virtually at 11.30 am

Present

Members:

Tim Levene (Chairman)	Alderman Vincent Keaveny
Deputy James Thomson (Deputy Chairman)	Lord Levene of Portsoken

Officers:

Alan Bird	- Head, City of London School
Dr Richard Brookes	- City of London School
Charles Griffiths	- City of London School
Polly Dunn	- Town Clerk's Department
Aqib Hussain	- Chamberlain's Department
Chloe Rew	- Town Clerk's Department

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Deputy Edward Lord.

2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the public minutes and non-public summary of the meeting held on 18 September 2020 be approved as accurate record.

4. ANNUAL REVIEW OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

Governors considered a report of the Town Clerk regarding the annual review of the Committee's terms of reference.

Whilst Governors were largely supportive of the recommendations made within the recent City of London Corporation reviews, namely the reduction in membership and term limits, it did not believe that the immediate past chairman should be made to step down.

Governors felt that it would be preferable to leave the composition of the Board unamended until such a time that the broader recommendations Governance Review could be considered. The Town Clerk confirmed that work on the

Governance Review was taking place in stages and in time they would get to the matter of the Corporation's institutions, of which the School was one.

RESOLVED, that no changes to Board's terms of reference be recommended at this time.

5. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were no questions.

6. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT**

There was no other business.

7. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

RESOLVED, That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

8. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

RESOLVED, that the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 18 September 2020, be approved as accurate record.

9. **OUTSTANDING ACTIONS**

Governors received a report of the Town Clerk regarding outstanding actions of the Committee.

10. **RACE EQUALITY REVIEW**

Governors received a report of the Head regarding the Race Equality Review.

11. **GOVERNOR SKILLS AUDIT 2020-2021**

Governors noted a report of the Town Clerk regarding the Governor Skills Audit 2020-2021.

12. **GOVERNOR RECRUITMENT**

Governors received a report of the Bursar regarding Governor Recruitment.

13. **NON-PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE**

There were no questions.

14. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**

There was no other business.

The meeting closed at 12.27pm

Chairman

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