

Committee(s)	Dated:
Education Board	20/05/2021
Subject: Governor Appointments Update	Public
Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	2, 3, 8 & 10
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	N
If so, how much?	N/A
What is the source of Funding?	N/A
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	N/A
Report of: Director of Community and Children's Services	For Decision
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Summary

This report asks Members to note decisions taken by the City of London Academies Trust Board of Trustees relating to their Local Governing Bodies. An updated list of governing body membership of the City Family of Schools is attached in **Appendix 1**.

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to:

- Note decisions taken by the City of London Academies Trust (CoLAT) Board of Trustees in relation to CoLAT Local Governing Bodies (LGBs) at their meeting on 19 March 2021.
- In line with its role as Sponsor, make a recommendation to CoLAT Board of Trustees to address longstanding parent and staff vacancies on LGBs to ensure robust governance of CoLAT schools.

Main Report

Background

1. As per the Sponsorship Agreement with the City of London Academies Trust (CoLAT), the Education Board approve the appointment of Chairs to Local Governing Bodies (LGBs) and are consulted on governor vacancies and notified of governor appointments.

Appointment of governors to CoLAT LGBs

1. At the CoLAT Board of Trustees meeting on 19 March 2021, the following decisions were resolved:

- a) That the appointment of Elaine Davies to the Local Governing Body of City of London Academy Southwark, Galleywall City of London Academy and Redriff City of London Academy for a four year term be ratified.
 - b) That the appointment of Randall Anderson to the Local Governing Body of City Academy Hackney for a four year term be ratified.
2. According to CoLAT's Articles of Association, the Trustees shall ensure that any Local Governing Body shall include at least two Parent Local Governors. According to its trust-wide Terms of Reference, CoLAT LGBs should also have one teaching governor and one non-teaching governor on the governing body. It is a risk that some CoLAT LGBs have longstanding parent and staff governor vacancies. It is recommended that Members of the Education Board consider the risk of vacancies to the quality of governance and make a recommendation to the CoLAT Board of Trustees to address longstanding vacancies.
 3. The list of governing body membership in **Appendix 1** has been updated with the newly ratified governor appointments in decisions (a) and (b).

Governing body membership across the Family of Schools

4. An updated list of governing body membership across the Family of Schools is included in **Appendix 1**.

Proposals

5. This report is for information only

Options

6. This report is for information only

Key Data

7. The current governing body membership of the City Family of Schools is attached in **Appendix 1**.

Corporate & Strategic Implications

8. Across all governing bodies, succession planning should be conducted in such a way as to cultivate the balance of skills and experience needed on the governing body as well as to promote greater diversity of governors so that governing bodies are a reflection of the school communities that they serve.

Appendices

- **Appendix 1** – Governing body membership of the Family of Schools.

Conclusion

9. This report updates Members on new appointments to CoLAT LGBs. The updated list of governors across the Family of Schools is included in **Appendix 1**.

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