

Committees:	Date:
Governance & Effectiveness Committee – For Decision	7 November 2014
Board of Governors of the Guildhall School of Music & Drama – For Decision	17 November 2014
Policy & Resources Committee – For Decision	
Subject: Post TDAP amendments to the School's governance arrangements	Public
Report of: The Principal of the Guildhall School of Music and Drama	For Decision

Summary

Amendments to the School's *Instrument and Articles of Government* and to the terms of reference of the School's Teaching & Learning Board are presented for consideration in light of the recent granting of Taught Degree Awarding Powers (TDAP) to the School by the Privy Council and other minor matters for clarity and ease of administration. These amendments fall under three main themes:

- i. The composition of the Board of Governors to address issues raised during the TDAP process;
- ii. The Board of Governors and its relationship with the School's senior academic committee, the Teaching & Learning Board, post taught degree awarding powers;
- iii. The remit of the Teaching & Learning Board and its subcommittees, post degree awarding powers.

The amendments to the *Instrument and Articles of Government* (appendix 1) have been explored by an officer and Governor working group and further amendments have been incorporated into the proposal. The Teaching & Learning Board terms of reference (appendix 2) have been reviewed by the Quinquennial Review Group and the proposals were considered and approved by the Teaching & Learning Board on 7 October 2014. The clerking arrangements for the Board of Governors have been discussed with the Assistant Town Clerk and the intention is to put in place more formal administrative arrangements between the Town Clerk's Department and the School which are intended to provide suitable support to the School while still retaining the Town Clerk as the Clerk to the School, reflecting the corporate governance framework of the City Corporation of which the School forms part.

Recommendation:

Members of the Governance & Effectiveness Committee are asked:

- to note the amendments and change of name to the Teaching & Learning Board terms of reference;
- to review the amendments to the *Instrument and Articles of Government* for recommendation to the Board of Governors.

Members of the Board of Governors are asked:

- to approve the change of name of the Teaching & Learning Board to the Academic Board and its revised terms of reference;
- to approve the amendments to the *Instrument and Articles of Government* and, with the concurrence of the Policy and Resources Committee, that they be recommended to the Court of Common Council for approval subject to the Privy Council's consent; with the final form of words to be reviewed by the Comptroller and City Solicitor's Department and the approval of any minor amendments arising to be delegated to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Board. In the event of substantial changes being required the document will be referred back to Board of Governors for further consideration.

Attachments:

Appendix 1 – Instrument and Articles of Government

Appendix 2 – Quinquennial Review Report incorporating proposed amendments to the Teaching & Learning Board's terms of reference

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