

Committee(s) Education Board	Dated: 25 May 2017
Subject: Request for Delegated Authority – Appointment of Academy Governors (The City Academy, Hackney)	Public
Report of: Town Clerk	For Decision
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Summary

A vacancy has arisen among the City-appointed governors at the City Academy Hackney, and it is anticipated that a further City-appointed vacancy will arise at the end of the Summer Term. The vacancies is currently being advertised to the Court of Common Council and, given the Education Board does not next meet until July 2017, members are asked to grant the Town Clerk, under Standing Order 41, delegated authority to consider applications received and, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, appoint the successful candidate(s) to the vacancies. Members are asked to note that, should no suitable candidates come forward from the Court of Common Council, Officers will seek appropriately qualified candidates from the School Governors' One Stop Shop (SGOSS).

Recommendation(s)

- Grant the Town Clerk delegated authority under Standing Order 41, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, to consider applications received and appoint to the vacancies on the board of governors of the City Academy Hackney.

Main Report

Background

1. Nigel Challis CC has resigned as a City of London Corporation Sponsor Governor at The City Academy, Hackney. Moreover, Deputy Catherine McGuinness has given notice of her intention to stand down as Governor at the end of the Summer Term. The Town Clerk is therefore seeking expressions of interest from the Court of Common Council and, in the absence of candidates with the requisite skills and experience, SGOSS.
2. The Board of Governors of The City Academy Hackney have asked that at least one of the appointments made by the City should be an individual with strong financial skills and experience.

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3. The appointment process will not have been concluded in time for the Education Board to consider completed applications at its meeting in May 2017. Moreover, the Board of Governors of the City Academy Hackney have asked that the two new City governors be in place in time for a Board Away Day in July 2017, so that they can participate in forward planning for the 2017/18 school year.
4. Therefore given that the Board does not next meet until July 2017, Members are requested to grant delegated authority to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, to appoint academy governors at the City Academy Hackney in the room of Nigel Challis and Catherine McGuinness.

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