

**SAMUEL WHITBREAD ACADEMY (SWA) – GOVERNING BODY MEETING – PUBLISHED MINUTES - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Item</b>
<b>1</b>	<p><b>WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS</b></p> <p>The Co-Vice Chair (TJ) advised he would be chairing the meeting in the Chair of Governors absence. He provided a governor update and confirmed the running order for the agenda.</p> <p>Attending the meeting in addition to the governors were Clerk (JW), Principal (NM), Vice Principal (IB), Vice Principal (CL), Assistant Principal (TR), Associate Principal (RG) and SENDCo (JS).</p> <p><u>Apologies</u> – Three Governors sent apologies in advance. Apologies received were accepted.</p> <p><u>Declarations of Interest</u> - There were no declarations of interest declared regarding the agenda.</p>
<b>2</b>	<p><b>PUPIL PREMIUM</b></p> <p>The Associate Principal (RG) highlighted information from his report on the progress and attainment of children who are eligible for pupil premium and answered questions on the report provided. Governors thanked Associate Principal (RG) for the clear framework and support provided to PP students.</p>
	<p><b>EDUCATIONAL PERFORMANCE - Mock Results</b></p> <p>The Associate Principal (AM) answered questions on the mock results and discussed the risks and improvement measures in place. The Vice Principal (IB) discussed the foundation and higher paper boundaries. Governors asked questions about the results and support interventions.</p>
	<p><b>ENGLISH - Review SEF/SDP</b></p> <p>The Vice Principal (CL) gave an update on the progress of the English department and answered questions on the mock results, online revision sessions and curriculum review.</p>
<b>3</b>	<p><b>REVIEW OF EQUALITY OBJECTIVES</b></p> <p>The Assistant Principal (TR) provided an update on the Sixth Form focus group work that was an action from the previous governor meeting. The Principal discussed Sharon De Lenardis’ work with students. The Assistant Principal (TR) discussed his report and confirmed that Sharon De Lenardis’ is working on the equality policy with our students. Governors asked questions about tutor time. Agreed the review of equality objectives will be discussed at the next meeting.</p>

4	<p><b>SAFEGUARDING</b></p> <p>The Assistant Principal (TR) answered questions on his report regarding changes in communication/data and toilets. Governors commented on the improvements with toilets and vaping. The Assistant Principal confirmed he will add further subcategories discussed with Governors to his report.</p>
5	<p><b>SEN</b></p> <p>The SENDCO (JS) discussed the action plan and updated on student progress and strategies used. She confirmed that the new HTLAs have started work in English and maths departments.</p>
6	<p><b>PRINCIPALS REPORT</b></p> <p>The Principal highlighted from his report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Leadership updates</li> <li>● Sports: Won Northampton Saints Sevens competition and Handball district championship, netball girls doing well at under 16 &amp; 6th Form</li> <li>● Oliver production this year and fundraiser to upscale production</li> <li>● Student survey results</li> </ul> <p>Governors asked questions about behaviour/praise, eco group, high achievers, non-uniform days and student attendance. Governors commented on the sample Curriculum Review report and that they liked the new infographic included in report and found the visuals easy to interpret. Governors stated that it was good to see Oxbridge and veterinary offers this year.</p>
7	<p><b>POLICIES</b></p> <p>Governors discussed the policy changes and agreed they were happy to adopt High Attaining Policy and Homework and Independent Learning Policy. Governors ratified the Behaviour Management inc Exclusions Physical Intervention Policy at the meeting.</p> <p>The consultation on the sixth form admission arrangements for September 2025 has concluded and no responses were received. Governors formally agreed the policy as the Determined Sixth Form Admission Arrangements for September 2025.</p>
8	<p><b>MINUTES AND ACTIONS OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING</b></p> <p>Governors confirmed they had read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes from the LGB meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023 were agreed.</p>
9	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <p>Governors agreed to hold the HoD Presentations on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March with some additional time available on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024.</p>

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**NEXT MEETING DATE**

Thursday 28th March, 7pm. Virtual Meeting. Governors discussed moving the next meeting to Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March to avoid holding it on the last day of term.