SAMUEL WHITBREAD ACADEMY (SWA) – GOVERNING BODY MEETING

Tuesday 14th May 2019

MINUTES

	Minutes	Action
1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST	
	Apologies – Two apologies for absence were received from Governors . These were accepted.	
	Declarations of Interest - There were no declarations of personal interest in addition to those already declared.	
2	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING	
	Governors confirmed they had read the last minutes from the 27 th March 2019.	
	Governors confirmed they had attended the Dance and Drama productions. They were thoroughly enjoyed.	
	The minutes from the Local Governing Body (LGB) meeting on the 27 th March 2019 were agreed.	
	No other matters arising.	
3	CHAIR OF GOVERNORS REPORT	
	The Chair gave Governors a verbal report. The report included highlighting the need for recruitment of some new Governors.	
4	PRINCIPALS REPORT	
	The Headteacher gave Governors a verbal report. The following recent achievements were highlighted:	
	 The Celebration of Disney Evening and the Dance Evening were excellent. Fantastic results in sports tournaments for Futsal, Handball, Rugby and Footbal 	

	 The wellbeing/therapy dog, Rolo, is doing well. Students are working well with her. 	
	 The Eco Schools Group has started – looking at single use non-plastic day. 	
	SWA won a coding competition. SWA has been asknowledging Mantel Hasth Week	
	 SWA has been acknowledging Mental Health Week. More seating has been placed around the school. 	
	 A Netball Coach and Director of Netball have been appointed. 	
	 Students have gained Gold DofE awards. 	
5	DATA – STANDARDS	
	Data was presented on the following:	
	Sixth Form – Predictions	
	 SEN – Assessment of the year 	
	 PP – Assessment of the year 	
	Safeguarding – Assessment of the year	
6	GOVERNOR SELF-ASSESSMENT EXERCISE	
	Governors have recently completed a National Governance Association (NGA) Skills Audit. The results have helped to identify extra knowledge and training the Governing Body could benefit from.	
7	RECRUITING NEW GOVERNORS	
	The Chair identified that additional Governors were needed and proposed advertising for 2 new Governors. GDPR and Health & Safety were identified as areas of specialism the Governing Body would be looking for.	
8	P8 REPORT	
	The Chair presented a report. This was discussed with Governors.	
9	LEARNING WALKS	
	The Vice-Chair gave a verbal report. This was discussed with Governors.	

10	AOB - COMMUNITY AWARD	
	Governors agreed that nominations for the Governor Community Award for Year 11s and Year 13s should be requested ASAP.	
11	AOB – GOVERNOR MARK UPDATE	
	The Clerk updated Governors on the progress of SWA's Governor Mark submission.	
12	AOB - PROPOSED DATES FOR MEETING 2019/20	
	Governors agreed on 2019/20 meeting dates for LGB Meetings.	
13	AOB – POLICIES	
	Governors agreed to adopt the following policies:	
	 Fire Safety Management Policy E-Safety Policy 	
	The Bereavement Policy was adopted on the principle that some stipulated amends were made.	
14	AOB – OTHER	
	A Governor volunteered to write the next Governor Update for the school newsletter.	
15	NEXT MEETING DATE	
	Next meeting date confirmed as Tuesday 16 th July.	