

Minutes of the Meeting of the Search Committee
15th September 2010

Present: Mr R Gough (in the chair)
Mrs G Genner

Apologies: Mr B Davies

Report of the Clerk to the Governors – Governor Targets 2009/2010 and 2010/2011

Andrew Jarvis, Clerk to the Governors presented details of the targets previously agreed by the Governing Body together with details of the performance of the Governing Body against the agreed targets for 2009/2010. It was noted that in cases where individual targets had not been achieved then appropriate reasons had been provided. The Committee determined to recommend to the Governing Body the governor targets for 2010/2011 as outlined in the attached report.

Review of the Composition of the Governing Body

Members considered, as part of this item, the composition of the Governing Body and agreed to recommend to the full Governing Body that consideration be given in the future to the possible appointment of a representative from University of Wales, Newport and in addition a senior member of the Police Constabulary which it was felt would further strengthen the existing composition. In addition consideration of the appointment of two learner governors will be given following the outcomes of the second review of governance which are expected during the Autumn Term.

Composition and Balance of the Sub Committees of the Governing Body

The Committee considered the composition and balance of the Sub Committees of the Governing Body and agreed to recommend to the full Governing Body that the membership remain as outlined in the attached report.

Report of the Clerk to the Governors in response to the results of the 2008/2009 Governors Self Assessment Survey together with the Governors Performance Indicators/Quality Improvement Measures

Andrew Jarvis, Clerk to the Governors presented the report on the outcomes of the 2008/2009 Self Assessment Survey together with the quality development plan and performance indicators which were developed from the results of the self assessment (copy attached). Members noted the progress made against the quality improvement measures/targets set together with the responses provided against each performance indicator.

Report of the Clerk to the Governors on the outcomes of the 2009/2010 Governors Self Assessment

The Committee considered the results of the 2009/2010 Governors Self Assessment in comparison with those in 2008/2009. Members noted that in each of the four specific

categories namely Composition and Recruitment, Duties and Responsibilities, Business and Meetings there were improvements in the grade profile with over 90% graded at or above grade 2 (copy enclosed).

Written Statement by Welsh Assembly Government on the Review of Further Education Government in Wales

Members noted the written statement by Leighton Andrews, Minister for Children, Education and Lifelong Learning which set out proposals to undertake an independent review into the governance arrangements of further education institutions in Wales. The Committee were informed that the outcomes of the second review were expected to be published in the Autumn Term.

Annual Link Governor Report 2009/2010

The Committee considered the Annual Link Governor Report 2009/2010 prepared by the Clerk to the Governors. Following consideration members approved the report for consideration by the full Governing Body at its December 2010 meeting as part of the Annual Report of the Clerk to the Governors.

Student Summary Guide and Pre- election notes for Student Governor Candidates

The Committee considered the Student Summary Guide and Pre-election notes for Student Governor Candidates, prepared by Andrew Jarvis, Clerk to the Governors. Members approved the reports for inclusion as part of an induction process for new student governors.