The Federation of Church Schools of Shalfleet and Yarmouth Full Governors' Business Meeting

Meeting of Full Governing Board	Term: Summer Term 2016
Place: Yarmouth Primary School	Date: Tuesday, 24 th May, 2016
	6 pm to 8 pm
Present:	Absent:
Mrs Lizzie Grainger (Acting Headteacher	Debs Downer (Co-opted)
Mr David Bevington (Foundation)	Carole Macfarlane (Associate)
Mrs Carla Bradshaw Chair (LA) joined the	Mrs Claire Oulton (Associate)
meeting at 7 pm.	Mr Mark Webber (Foundation)
Mrs Krista Bratton (Parent)	
Mrs Tina Griffith (Foundation)	
Mrs Karma Leyland (Co-opted)	
Mrs Debbie Munn (Parent)	
Mrs Sylvia Smith (Staff)	
Mrs Caroline Weeks (Foundation)	
Mrs Sarah Woodburn (Staff)	
In Attendance:	
Mrs Sam May (School Business Manager)	
Mrs Jane Lewis (Clerk)	
Key: <u>Challenge</u> Action, Decision, Support,	Distribution: All Governors
Ring-fenced, FDP link	

The meeting was quorate: Attended by ten Governors, one of whom joined the meeting at 7 pm and two left at 8 pm. (Number needed for quorum: 6 Governors)

Karma Leyland (Vice Chair) chaired the meeting as Carla Bradshaw did not join the meeting until 7 pm.

David Bevington opened the meeting with a reading and prayer.

Item	Minutes	Action	Date
3.1	Welcome and Apologies Apologies were received from D Downer (AGM), C Macfarlane(family), C Oulton (work), M Webber (abroad). C Bradshaw arriving late due to daughter's Parents' Evening.	Action	Date
	Apologies were accepted.		

3.2	Order of Business and items for AOB		
	The Budget will be discussed at the start of		
	the meeting.		
(3.6)	3 Year Budget (Attached)		
	Sam May, School Business Manager,		
	presented the 3 year budget plan which		
	had been discussed at the Finance meeting		
	on 19/5 and circulated to Governors.		
	Changes had been made to the original		
	Budget, as discussed with the Chair, by		
	email (attached).		
	The Budgets showed both schools to be in		
	a good financial position, to some extent		
	due to the additional pupils following the		
	closure of Weston Academy. However,		
	caution is needed on an on-going basis;		
	new funding formula next year and wider		
	educational landscape bring insecurities		
	and it is therefore difficult to project the		
	situation in 2 and 3 years time. Regular		
	budget reviews will be undertaken to keep		
	the situation monitored.		
	Questions raised:		
	Q: <u>Can savings</u> be made anywhere?		
	A: It is hoped that the schools may	SBM	asap
	become more energy efficient, reducing		
	the electricity bills.		
	Q: <u>How does Shalfleet's energy costs</u>		
	compare with other schools?		
	A: SBM will investigate and see if more		
	savings can be made.		
	Q: Will the new mobile at Yarmouth effect		
	energy consumption?		
	A: It should improve, as mobile is more		
	energy efficient.		
	Q: What about Staffing?		
	A: Shalfleet may be slightly overstaffed at		
	present and this will be considered for the		
	future. 1.1 provision for Special Needs		
	pupils will end when those with an EHCP		
	leave the schools and TA support will		
	become more fluid. The aim is to even out		

	expensive Staff across the Federation.		
	There are reasonable DFC carry forward		
	budgets in both schools to cover capital		
	expenditure.		
	Governors offered a large garden shed and		
	carpet for use by the schools.		
	The budgets were agreed by all Governors		
	present and signed by the Chair.		
	Sam May left the meeting at 6.25 pm		
3.3	Declarations of Business or Personal		
	Interests relevant to the meeting. None		
3.4	Minutes of the last meeting 24.3.16 and		
	Confidential Minutes		
	These were agreed as a true record and		
	signed by the Chair.		
	Matters arising from the Minutes.		
	See attached actions sheet plus email from		
	SBM.		
	FGM 2.2.16		
	Item 2.26 Gov. Business – TG to contact	TG	asap
	Steven Plummer from Colwell Baptist.		
	Item 2.7 Head's Report to send out	Head	asap
	voluntary contributions letter to Govs.		
	again. To go out to parents in Sept.		
	Item 2.8 PH Reports – Yarmouth cook		
	leaving. Chartwells have already spoken to		
	new parents. Note in newsletter to push	Head	When
	free school meals and possibly meet new		appropriate
	cook.		
	FGM 23.3.16		
	Bench or tree suggested for Yarmouth to	Head	asap
	thank contributors to fundraising.		
	Yarmouth logo – It was reported that the		
	proposed boat on the new logo was not		
	in use in 1855. Another type of boat was		
	being considered, to be agreed asap. It	TG/Head	asap
	was suggested that existing logo to be	Head/SBM	asap
	phased out from paperwork from now on,		
	in readiness for October when the logo will		
	no longer be available.		

3.5	Governing Board Business		
	Confidential Item on Head's Appointment		
	cancelled.		
	Instrument		
	Changes to Federation regulations mean		
	that Instrument needs changing to include		
	2 Parent Governors not linked to a		
	particular school and 1 position for a		
	Headteacher at each school. This		
	increases our total number of places on		
	the Governing Board to 15.		
	Concerns were raised regarding the		
	number of Foundation Governors still		
	required and the positions of ex-officio		
	Foundation Governor. The constitution	Chair/Clerk	Sept.
	will be reviewed in September.		
	The Instrument was amended to show the		
	correct Mission Statement and agreed by		
	all Governors present. Clerk to send to	Clerk	asap
	Governor Services.		
	Governors' profiles – Governors asked to		
	complete profiles for website.	Govs.	asap
	emailed to all Governors.		
	Details of training courses had been		
	emailed.		
	JL to attend Clerks' Conference on 25/6.		
	Majority of Governors now completed		
	Prevent training on-line.		
	Clerks Briefing Reports 8/2, 16/5 attached		
	<u>DfE/LA – Academies</u> – discussed at end of		
	meeting.		
	The Chair reported on the IOW Governors'		
	Forum, where Brian Pope gave a		
	presentation on the Government's white		
	paper and a view on the u-turn on		
	academies. Report attached.		

3.7 **Head's Report**

The Head gave a verbal report, paper copy attached.

Including class structure, no change to pupil numbers – 169 at Shalfleet and 99 at Yarmouth.

FDP and SEF being updated and will be presented at next FGM.

Data being produced to compare new pupils with those to started at the school in reception.

<u>Safeguarding</u>: All Staff except MSAs completed Prevent training.

<u>Health & Safety</u> No issues

Attendance

Shalfleet – 95.24% Yarmouth – 95.28% Figures low due to illness in both schools.

CB joined the meeting at 7.00 pm.

Comments:

Governors commented that the links between pupils at the two schools are excellent. PTFA meetings were shared – pamper evening at Shalfleet had not been a success, possibly due to limit of over 18s. Change of Chair at Shalfleet PTFA. Parent Forums to remain at each school due to possible sensitive issues being discussed.

Future event – possible federation picnic when new playground opens at Yarmouth Recreation Ground.

Q Has support for Headteacher been adequate?

A Yes, a range of support has been in place this year: LLP (Ian Troup), Penny Orme (external consultant), Lynda Evans (Hunnyhill HT), Claire Oulton (Assoc. Gov), all governors generally as well as a wide range of CPD. All have been very good. *Q Recognise there has been Literacy input*,

Head Next FGM

	but no Maths input for staff? Was this on purpose? A No specific Maths support bought this year, due to schools being "low support category". Extra support for Yarmouth on Literacy was shared by Shalfleet staff plus Ian Troup as LLP. Q Report on pupils interviews for next meeting please? (How do pupil interviews inform best practise?	Head	Next FGM
3.8 Pupil Premium	PH Reports Finance 19/5 SBM report and monitoring sheets attached. Inclusion 18/5, data sheets and Pupil Premium Report attached		
Premium	Standards 18/5 attached Target is 6 steps progress over a year, with 4 steps made at present point in time. Q Governors asked if KS1 tests could take place later in the year, to benefit the teachers and pupils? A Tests have to take place before the end of May, but they could take place towards the end of the month. LG to discuss with Staff. Governors commented that KS2 pupils lose half a term's teaching due to the SATs Being early in May. Under the new curriculum and assessment system this is less fair to the pupils. SIAMS 13/4 attached Community – Governors were asked if they could review the website with the audit. KB offered to do this and DM to provide audit. Prevent to be added to web audit. The website should work in conjunction with the school app. This is being discussed with HT, SBM, Communikty Governor and ICT co- ordinator. Still aiming for live date of September 16.	Head KB/DM DM	asap

	Governor Visits IEPs/GEPs 12/4 CW attached Kite 2 / Learning Culture – Improve communication across the federation for staff, pupils and parents. 19/4 attached CB, KL Kite 2 / Learning Culture – Pupil Interviews 13/5 attached CW,KB Kite 2 / Learning Culture – staff meeting and interview 16/5 attached CW Collective Worship 9/5 attached CB SATs supervision x 2 12/5 attached CW, MW, TG, KB		
3.9	Lead Reports Events & Trips attached MM Maths KS1 Shalfleet 10/4 attached CN Maths KS2 4/5 attached CP Maths May attached Science 17/5 attached Science May Shalfeet & Yarmouth attached LG Computing 13/5 attached Questions were raised on attached email. Q Please can producers of Reports state their name and which school(s) they are reporting on?	Head	Asap
3.10	Policies Statutory Charging (F) Data Protection Admin of Medicine Relationships and Sex Education EYFS Governors' Allowances Non-Statutory Fun Club Governor Protocol Teaching & Learning Little Stars Charging		

	Management of Drugs Safer Recruitment Marking & Feedback Transition from Preschool The Policies have been reviewed by the Head and Portfolio Holders. Statutory Polices were agreed by Governors		
3.11	Any Other Business Governors expressed their thanks to the Chair for sending out letter to Parents re. Academies and Headship. Governors Award It had been suggested that the Governors award a prize for imaginative writing to a Year 6 pupils from each school at the end of the school year. This was agreed by all Governors present and will be planned for next year. Q Is there an audit of British Values in the schools? A It was suggested that KB visits schools to review this. (There is a Hants audit tool which PSHE lead has been working on).	Govs.	Next year
	Review Governor support at next meeting (see audit tool attached). Tea Party at Yarmouth - 22nd June 2 - 3	Govs.	Asap Next FGM
3.12	Confidential Items - None		
3.13	Date of next meeting 12 th July 6.00 pm at Yarmouth		