

Minutes of a meeting of the Search and Governance Committee held on 14th June 2023 at 1215h by Teams.

Present: Elaine Clinton (Chair); Michael Priestley; Chris Nattress;
Beth Wordsworth; Phil Jardine

Also present: Jane Murray, Clerk

13/23 Minutes

Resolved – that the minutes of the meeting held on 16th March 2023 be approved and signed as a correct record.

14/23 Declarations of Interest

Depending on the nature of the governance discussions, the Clerk noted that she may have an interest and would withdraw.

15/23 Board Reflection

The Committee had no observations to make other than that the meetings had been enjoyed.

16/23 Vacancies

An application from Claire Dunn was considered, together with observations from the Chair and Principal who had met Claire and the recommendation of the Committee was secured to take the appointment to the next Board.

The Clerk shared interest from a member of staff who was soon to retire and who would bring some technical expertise of merit. This being the case, the Committee was keen to encourage her to apply.

The resignation of Beth Wordsworth was noted with regret (effective 30th June). Beth made some suggestions in respect of legal skills that might be followed up.

17/23 External Review of Governance

The Committee reflected that it was not an easy task to carry out an external review and felt it had been well handled. The outcome was that the governance was demonstrably strong at Lakes college and that the recommendations made were suggestions for enhancements. The committee considered those recommendations and provided a response for consideration by the Board (appended).

Committee Links for 2023-24 were considered with the introduction of 'subject' links for the areas of the Curriculum which were priority areas for the LSIP. The meeting closed at 1300h.