

## Minutes of the Full Governing Board (FGB) Meeting Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025, 6pm, Tavistock Primary and Nursery School

Please note: This meeting is open to the public. Meeting dates are published in the school newsletter and on the website. If you would like to attend, please notify the Clerk to the Governors.

CHAIRED BY: Sue James

SJ

CLERKED BY: Kirsten Wake

KW

PRESENT: Tim Bonney (TB), Pat Dickinson (PD), Pete Easton (PE), Laura Handel (LH), Sue James (SJ), Sarah Jones (SJ), Chrissie Owen (CO), Matt Page (MP), Josie Spooner (JS), Nicole Statton (NS), Kirsten Wake (KW), Karen Wright (KWR)

APOLOGIES: Nicky Collett (NC)

NIL HEARD FROM: None

FG24/25_66	Welcome	
	Apologies for absence	
	Apologies approved for NC.	DECISION
FG24/25_67	Music Subject Leader Report	
	Sarah Jones gave a verbal report of the Music curriculum.	
	No questions raised.	
FG24/25_68	Business/Pecuniary Interest Register	
	None declared.	
FG24/25_69	Vision – Where are we now?	
	Minutes from the last meeting 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	
	Minutes were approved and signed by the Chair. Proposed by MP, seconded by PE.	
	Actions from the last meeting 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	
	Zoe Briant-Evans, Governance Adviser, Devon Education Services, offered to join	
	the next meeting to discuss co-chair models. KW to invite her to the next meeting	ACTION KW
	for a 20 minute slot.	
	Headteacher Recruitment	
	Nothing further to report.	
	Covernor Vecencies	
	Governor Vacancies SJ confirmed that the vacancies can be discussed at the next meeting and	
	suggested that recruitment be discussed with the new Headteacher.	
FG24/25_70	School Business Manager's Report	
	KWR gave a verbal update to Governors, based on the report submitted.	
	KWR recommended that Governors may like to chase up the EHCP funding which, as yet, has not been received.	
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	Q1. Extended services, regarding the new provision of free services. Governors	CHALLENGE
	note that the deficit is double previous figures. How will Government policy affect	
	that? (PE)	
	A1. It is likely to be too expensive to operate, due to staffing costs. However,	
	if we had 2 new children who attended Extended Services provision registering to	
	attend our school, then the gain would cover the deficit. (KWR)	
	LH reported that there are six children, with EHCPs, leaving for Year 7. Therefore,	
	there are a number of one to one staff who are at risk of being made redundant at	



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	the end of this academic year.	
	Interviews will take place to cover the 80 hours that will be required next year.	
	The meeting moved to PART TWO.	
	The meeting returned to Part One.	
FG24/25_71	Summer Term Monitoring	
	Q2. Please clarify the process through which questions to the Headteacher are answered, when submitted on the monitoring report. (JS) A2. LH recommended that Governors send their Headteacher monitoring reports to the Headteacher, copied to the Clerk, and the Headteacher will respond to the questions during the FGB meeting. (LH)	CHALLENGE
FG24/25_72	Safeguarding One Minute Guides – Governors confirmed they have read One Minute Guides No 18 and No 19.	
FG24/25_73	SSIP Review and RAG rating	
	LH reported on outstanding items:	
	Amber areas:	
	Action plan – ongoing.	
	Behaviour – Due to attendance, which has not reached 96% target.	
	Surveys - Have not been completed.	
	Early Years provision – Buying equipment postponed until the action plan has been developed for the early years area.	
	All other areas all green.	ACTION KW
	KW to replace RAG rated SSIP in the meeting folder.	CHALLENGE
	Q3. How was the letter to parents received, in terms of mixed classes for next year? (SJ)	
	A3. One family meeting held to discuss Y2 and Y3 mixed classes. One parent made an appointment and then cancelled. No other comments. LH confirmed that she asked parents to contact her direct to meet personally if there were any concerns. A couple of requests in the YR and Y1 classes for their children to be moved classes due to friendship interests were made and approved. (LH)	
FG24/25_74	<u>Policies</u>	DECISION
	<ul> <li>Supporting children with medical needs Policy - TB confirmed he has read and recommends for approval. TB proposed, SJ seconded.</li> </ul>	DECIGION
	<ul> <li>Disciplinary Policy - SJ confirmed she has read and recommends for approval. SJ proposed, MP</li> </ul>	DECISION
	Resolution Policy and Procedure - SJ confirmed she has read and	DECISION
	recommends for approval.  Redployment Policy – DCC policy. PE seconded, PD seconded.	DECISION
FG24/25_75	Any Other Business	
	JS noted that Governors profile has been raised by recent letters to parents, from	



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the Chair, regarding the appointment of the new Headteacher. She suggested that this would be a suitable time to raise awareness of Governor roles.	
	ACTION ALL
Governors discussed and agreed to attend the photo day at school in September to have photos taken, which will be displayed on the staff roles board in the foyer.	ACTION KW
Governors agreed they would invite Emma Byrom to the July meeting, in order to meet the Full Governing Board prior to the September Business meeting.	

DATE OF NEXT FGB MEETING: Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2025, 6pm, Tavistock Primary and Nursery School

## These minutes are agreed

\*Without amendment / with the following amendments (\*please delete as appropriate):

Signed: Dated:

A list of acronyms can be found at <a href="https://www.nga.org.uk/Glossary.aspx">https://www.nga.org.uk/Glossary.aspx</a>