

Governing Body of Bowhill Primary School

Buildings and Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday 4th March 2014 at 6.00 pm at Bowhill Primary School

Present: Caren Brooks, Reg Edwardson, Natalie Bracher, Mark Burnard, Jenny Downing, Claire Quick and Emma Walker-Brown

Apology: Rod Ruffle

Absent:

In attendance: Karin Gordon

*Fire exit procedures detailed by EWB *

Declaration of Business Interest

- 1. To receive/approve apologies for absence**
Apologies received as above.

- 2. To consider minutes from the committee meeting on Tuesday 21st January 2014**
Minutes approved as accurate record of meeting.

- 3. To discuss matters arising from the minutes**
No further matters arising.

4. To review SMIP/SEF and Safeguarding

KG circulated updated SMIP and SEF prior to Meeting. Paul Garvey had meetings at School, half days 25th, 26th February and a full day on the 27th. Would like to prioritise outside area of Reception classes, which is red in SMIP. Safeguarding, CK still working with families in her role as Parent Support Advisor, numbers have not changed since last meeting.

5. To review Contracts

CB advised Governors of updated LA terms regarding temporary and full time staff contracts as from 1st April 2014. P&C Governors had been agreeable to putting teachers on temporary contracts onto permanent contracts at Meeting on the 25th February 2014.

6. To begin to prepare new SMIP

CB advised that this will focus on new national curriculum, particularly literacy, numeracy and computing and making sure we are sufficiently prepared for changes with both hardware and software.

7. To review Governors' Allowances (Expenses)

Governors agreed for Allowance to remain the same.

Governors Visits

EWB will be forwarding in Governors Report after her visit to 1/3.

8. To consider any other matters brought forward by the Chair

Budget monitor was circularised prior to Meeting and was discussed fully with CB, who advised that there were still some updates to be made.

Growth Fund letter was circularised to Governors prior to Meeting, which advised that the school did not meet the current criteria. CB will write letter on behalf of Governors.

MB gave Governors an update regarding strike to the effect that the NUT have advised their members to strike but the NASUWT have not. A representative of the NUT is being invited in to discuss current changes to the teaching profession.

CB has received communication from Chris Cooper regarding the School House.

CB advised Governors that the electricity sub-station blew up on Sunday night and the fire brigade were called out to deal with subsequent fire. Western Power Distribution came in and made everything safe and re-connected supply to school for Monday and also came in on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Will be coming into school during the Easter Holidays to work on the compound and crane in a new fibre glass structure.

10.To confirm the dates of next meetings

FGB 18th March

P&C 25th March

B&F 29th April

There being no further items to discuss, the meeting closed at 6.50 p.m.

Signed _____ Dated _____