

THE CORPORATION**EALING, HAMMERSMITH AND WEST LONDON COLLEGE****Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Corporation held on Thursday 23 October 2014 held at the Hammersmith Campus**

Meeting began 6.00pm

Chair: Sarah Dhanda

1. ATTENDANCE, INTRODUCTIONS and DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**1.1 Present**

Tony Alderman	√	Andrew Mackay (Teaching Staff Governor)	√
Heather Clay	x	Garry Phillips (Principal and Chief Executive)	√
Richard De St Croix (Support Staff Governor)	√	Nick Ratcliffe	√
Julia Clements-Elliott	√	Christine Whatford	x
Jim Conybeare-Cross	√		
Hilary Cowell	√		
Sarah Dhanda	√		
Lisa Huggins-Chan	x		

The meeting was quorate throughout.

1.2 **Apologies for Absence** were RECEIVED from: Heather Clay, Lisa Huggins-Chan, and Christine Whatford.

1.3 **Sarah Dhanda** introduced all members present to Nick Ratcliffe who was attending his first meeting as a Corporation Member.

1.4 **The Clerk declared** that he knew the two candidates who had been interviewed for the position of Chair of the Corporation and that he had worked with them for a number of years at different colleges. The Principal declared that he knew one of the candidates.

2. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

Sarah Dhanda indicated that this was a special meeting convened for the sole purpose of considering the proposal of the Search and Development Committee to appoint Mr Tony Alderman as a member of the Corporation (for three years from 23 October 2014) and that he be installed as Chair of the Corporation.

3. REPORT OF THE SEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

3.1 Sarah Dhanda invited Julia Clements-Elliott (Chair of the Search and Development Committee) to report on the meetings held with the two candidates on Thursday 9 October 2014.

Julia Clements-Elliott said the meetings had been attended by Sarah Dhanda, Lisa Huggins-Chan, Garry Phillips and herself. The Clerk had been in attendance. He had declared his knowledge of the two candidates and did not comment on them until after the Committee had reached its unanimous view to propose one of the candidates for adoption.

3.2 Julia Clements-Elliott reported that the Committee felt that both candidates had strong credentials for office.

She cited their long experience of governance in FE (and other areas). This experience, in both cases, spanned a number of colleges and roles as local, regional and national representatives. Both candidates were asked questions about the contribution they could make to the College. The Committee preferred one of the candidates (Mr Tony Alderman) because of the extent of his local knowledge and experience, his clear dedication to students (especially those with learning difficulties) and his engagement with a number of bodies. He had been Chair of a nearby College and seen it through two mergers. His ideas and values reflected those of the College. The decision had been unanimous. Sarah Dhanda and Garry Phillips confirmed that the process had been thorough.

4. THE APPOINTMENT

4.1 It was RESOLVED

that: Mr Tony Alderman be appointed as an ordinary member of the Corporation (subject to eligibility and other requirements) for a three year period from 23 October 2014.

that: Mr Tony Alderman be appointed as Chair of the Corporation in succession to Ms Sarah Dhanda.

4.2 Tony Alderman joined the meeting and introductions were made.

5. ADDITIONAL MATTERS

It was suggested that the Search and Development Committee should study the retention of governors (in light of some recent resignations).

6. SARAH DHANDA

Members thanked Sarah Dhanda for her excellent service as Chair of the Corporation. She would continue for the time being as an ordinary member.

The meeting closed at 6.30 pm

Chair Signature

Date