

Minutes of the Council of Governors Meeting

Monday 28th January 2013

Present:	Imelda Redmond	Non-Executive Director/Deputy Chair
	Geoffrey Rivett	Public Governor
	Patricia Bennett	Public Governor
	Talaat Qureshi	Public Governor
	Julia Bennett	Public Governor
	Eli Kernkraut	Public Governor
	Eric Sorensen	Public Governor
	Suri Freedman	Public Governor
	Jude Williams	Public Governor
	Henry Muss	Staff Governor
	Ros Constable	Staff Governor
	Val Dimmock	Staff Governor
	Robert Duke	Staff Governor
	Andrew Ezsias	Staff Governor

In Attendance:

David Bridger Head of Governance (minutes)

1. Chairman's welcome

Imelda Redmond welcomed the Governors to the meeting.

2. Apologies:

Jo Lobenstein	Public Governor
Clyde Baker	Public Governor
Sarah Weiss	Public Governor
John Bootes	Public Governor
Katherine Coyne	Staff Governor
Dr Lesley Mountford	Partner Governor
Prof. Stanton Newman	Partner Governor
Gareth Moore	Partner Governor
Jonathon McShane	Partner Governor

3. Chairman Appointment

Geoffrey Rivett presented a paper providing those present with details of the recruitment process for the new Chairman. He summarised the timetable and the stages of the process for which external recruitment consultants had been engaged. Long listing had taken place on 10th December 2012 and short listing on 17th January 2013. A total of three candidates were selected for interview. Interviews had taken place on 28th January 2013. The Council were informed that following interview and approval by the Nomination Committee that Mr Tim Melville-Ross had been selected for the post and had accepted the offer.

The Governors discussed the appointment process and raised a number of questions including information on the range of questions put to the candidates and their responses and further details of Mr Melville-Ross' experience. This information was provided.

It was noted that the meeting was not quorate as there were no partner Governors present. Imelda Redmond informed those present that apologies had been received from partner Governors however she had spoken with Gareth Moore, Partner Governor for City of

London and Jonathon McShane, Partner Governor for London Borough of Hackney by phone prior to the meeting. She had provided them with information regarding the appointment process and the outcome of the interviews. Both had given their support for the appointment.

The majority of Governors present approved the appointment accepting the telephone support of the Partner Governors contacted however wished it noted that attendance of partner Governors is a significant issue that needs to be addressed.

4. AOB

One item was discussed regarding open meetings of the Board of Directors and when these would commence. Governors were notified that the Trust is planning to commence public meetings of the Board of Directors in April 2013. Agendas for the meetings and minutes will also be circulated Governors as part of this process.