



A meeting of the Governing Body of Brompton Community Primary School was held virtually on Thursday 14 May 2020 @ 5:00pm

Minutes

Core Functions of GB:

- Ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding the Head Teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money well spent

Present: Nigel Hebron, Chair (NH); Jane Byrne, HT (JB); David Manning, DHT (DM); Lorna Hazelwood (LH), Louise Cuthbert (LC)

Absent: Lisa Forbes, Paul Forbes and Richard Lonsdale

In attendance: Caroline Rayner (NYCC Clerk) & Nicola Milton NYCC Bursar (NM)

Please note the school currently carries two governor vacancies

PART ‘A’ – PROCEDURAL

No.	Item	Actions
BCP/050/20	Welcome and apologies for absence and to determine whether any absences should be consented to. All apologies consented to.	
BCP/051/20	To remind governors of the need to declare interests, pecuniary or non-pecuniary None.	
BCP/052/20	To determine whether any part of the proceedings should be treated as confidential and excluded from the minutes to be made available for public inspection None	
BCP/053/20	Notification of urgent other business There was no other urgent business notified.	

PART “B” RESOURCES

BCP/054/20	<p>Budget Management Policy</p> <p>The purpose of this virtual meeting was mainly to agree the school budget papers, which had been circulated to all attendees prior to the meeting. It was a quick overview of the budget.</p> <p>The out turn figure is £43, 991 carried forward and the variances have been checked every month – this is a lot healthier than was first thought so this is great to see. This was agreed</p> <p>The three-year forecast was explained - the funding itself has been part of a consultation and there is no top slice and no cap now and schools are now getting more of their gains now, which should be better.</p>	
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	<p>The local authority were trying to allocate money left over to all schools and we have just short of £120k of this year which is good. About the funding there are other elements that are linked to it and these things are variable so can change figures.</p> <p>No mention of Covid 19 so far in the budget – so it's been taken as a normal year.</p> <p>We carried forward a really good figure and it looks good. The rising pupil numbers certainly helps. The head advised that we are currently five pupils oversubscribed in Reception and the parents are appealing but we could also do with some other children in other years but this all looks promising for future numbers.</p> <p>The main thing to highlight is the PE grant as there is a lot of money in there at the moment and this should be spent well. Think of the forward years for this as its good money to have.</p> <p>The Bursar asked if there were any questions. The Chair stated that he was relatively comfortable with the figures but he feels that as a school we seem to be underinvesting in the school, as there is surplus of money. The Bursar said that this has been a funny year so far, but she had not met with the head to discuss the budget yet, and now we know there will be many ideas. We have to be mindful with how Covid-19 may affect the budget. We are looking at furlough for some staff at the moment but until this is clarified we have to be careful. The county council have recommended that all furloughed staff are 100% covered by the furlough not just the 80%.</p> <p>The head is pleased with these figures and the number of children entering the school really helps, which is a really positive story.</p> <p>All agreed the budget.</p> <p>The Bursar said she was aware that there is some training on budget required and this will be arranged asap.</p>	Clerk
BCP/055/20	<p>Headteacher update</p> <p>The preparation for children for returning to school in June was discussed but it was still not sure if it will happen. Arrangements for this have commenced – the team are creating risk assessments and adding the specific lines to corridors to keep children apart. The parents are making their own decisions to either send their children or not. There is the risk that the children will come into contact with parents who have the virus and vice versa.</p> <p>The head stated that many parents would keep their children off as it's too soon. A governor agreed with this. It was felt the government guidelines are very contradicting throughout. Parents are being sensible about it all. There are concerns about lunch breaks and how these will be carried out and how long they will take. The head stated that it's been a hard eight weeks and it's been constant for them every day with no proper break – it's hard for the children also as they wonder why they are at school and the others aren't.</p>	



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	<p>There is going to be a video made which shows the school coping during lockdown, which will be nice.</p> <p>Brompton is doing well and the children are fine. Bronze healthy schools award has been given and going to push on for Silver.</p>	
PART “C” – OTHER BUSINESS		
BCP/056/20	To deal with any matters agreed for consideration under item 4 above None	
BCP/057/20	“What Impact have we made” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To discuss the school budget and ensure this is well managed.	
BCP/058/20	Date and time of next meeting To be confirmed	
BCP/059/20	AOB none	
<p>Signed: <i>Nigel Hebron</i></p> <p>Position: Chair Date: 15 October 2020</p>		