

# **Chesterton Community College**

## **Resources Committee**

### **Minutes from 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016**

1. **Present:** Lucy scott (LS) (Head), Mary Sanders (MS), Jim Warwick (JW) (Chair), Eva Pepper (EP), Katherine Hutchinson (KH), Martin Russell (MR) (Director of Finance and Business and a non -voting member), Jo Burroughes (JB), Luke Turner (LT), Masum Shaikh, and Mark Little.
  
2. **Apologies:**, None
  
3. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interests:** There were none declared.
  
4. **Register of Business Interests:** There were none registered.
  
5. **The Minutes of the last meeting: (15.03.16)** A slight amendment was requested which was noted and changed and signed as a true record by the chair.
  
6. **Matters Arising: Health & Safety Audit (timetabling findings)** - ML to email out findings to Governors. It was agreed that this would be a standing item on every agenda.  

**Action: Clerk to add to every agenda.**
  
7. **Budget Update/Sports Centre Update:** MR went through the full year's budget outlining the key areas to the committee which would be fed back in more detail at the next FGB meeting. Supply costs and teaching staff costs remain a high expenditure all exceeding budget. The Full year's budget was showing a variance of - 225k. Maintenance repairs were discussed and it was questioned if site staff could do more of the repairs so call out charges could be reduced. This would make things more controlled and tighter on spending. MR also showed the committee the first draft of the 2016/2017 budget. Due to cancellation of summer schools no income will be coming in from them next year. MR explained how income will be up due to additional Sports

Centre funding to the school. Governors were particularly concerned about the Sports Centre financial input to the school and how addressing the future improvements/repairs were to be done going forward. MR confirmed that we are just delaying projects and by no means cancelling them. Points that needed immediate attention would be looked at for example we know the pool lining needs immediate attention so we have 45k in the sinking fund. MR went on to explain the different options and costs that have been made available to get this repaired. It was discussed the best timing to get the pool lining fixed is during term time. Income loss would be £15-20K during term time and would be half that during the summer holidays. It was agreed that at every resources meeting we would have a budget update. The use of the Pavillion was discussed and what income this could possibly generate. JW wanted to express his thanks on a great job on the budget.

8. **IT Budget Spend:** MR spoke to the committee about Infrastructure Refresh that has been proposed by the IT department. The main concern was that by not replacing the infrastructure of servers and WIFI at this point would seriously undermine the great E-learning work we are doing going forward. A list of different options and costs were presented to the committee to look at and discussions were held on if this should go ahead. LT had some different options that he was keen to explore and look at further. LS stated we need to get this decision of the proposal sorted quite quickly so proposed that LT meet with Richard Kirby, who is head of E-Learning, to discuss options and feed back to the committee via email so a decision can be made as soon as possible.
  
9. **Restructuring Process:** LS stated that this process had all be completed and there was nothing further to add.
  
10. **AOB:** Pay increases were discussed and it was decided to defer pay increases for support staff until September. Governors questioned savings of this proposal, to which all committee were in agreement.

11. **Date of next Resources meeting:**

**This meeting closed at 7.20pm**