# PLYMOUTH COLLEGE OF ART MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Date: Tuesday 24 March 2020

Time: 10.00 am – Remote Meeting Via Google Meet

Present: David Noyce Chair

Andrew Brewerton Principal Sue Brownlow Deputy Chair

Tom Archer Staff Member (Support) Mark Greaves Independent Member Jamie Halton Student Member (SU-VP) Andrew James Staff Member (Academic) Tim Jones Independent Member Rowena Murphy Student Member (SUP) Ian Parry Independent Member Janet Ritterman Independent Member

Paula Sanderson Co-opted Member (Education)

Duncan Tringham Independent Member

In attendance: Nadyne Ebbens Deputy Clerk

Jacqui Moore Director of Communications

Mark Taylor Director of Finance

Steve Trotter Registrar

Liz Wiltshire-Meads Clerk to the Corporation

By invitation: Tris Tucker Foot Anstey

#### **MINUTES**

## BG/20/01 WELCOME FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair welcomed everyone to the first remote meeting which was due to the Coronavirus COVID-19 context.

## **MEETING PROTOCOL**

The Deputy Clerk gave a brief as to the expected protocol for the meeting and noted the protocol document circulated ahead of the meeting.

## **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE, DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & OUORACY**

Apologies were received from Kiran Haslam, Independent Member. There were no unregistered declarations of interest and the meeting was quorate.

## **BG/20/02 CIRCULATED DECISIONS FOR RATIFICATION**

The Clerk noted the following decisions that were approved remotely and were ratified by the Board:

- 1. To increase the determination of Board numbers from 17 to 18, with an increase in student members from 1 to 2;
- 2. the appointment of Jamie Halton, the SU-VP, as the new student member, until July 2020;
- 3. the appointment of Tom Archer, staff governor (support) for a four year term of office until March 2024;
- the Board & Committee meeting schedule 2020/21;
- 5. the appointment of David Noyce, Chair, as the interim designated governor for pre-degree, safeguarding & prevent
- 6. Paula Sanderson to join, and Sue Brownlow to leave, the membership of

the Transitional Overview Group.

# **BG/20/03 CONFIDENTIAL**

This agenda item was deemed to be confidential and was subject to a separate confidential Minute.

Tris Tucker, Foot Anstey, left the meeting.

## **BG/20/04 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 26 November 2019 were considered to be a true and accurate record of proceedings.

RESOLVED: that the minutes be approved for signature by the Chair.

## BG/20/04 ACTION TRACKER

All actions reported progress to date and were either on the agenda, complete or had not reached the target completion date. An action for Nominations & Governance Committee to explore recent graduates to join the Board would be added to the Committee's action tracker.

## **BG/20/05 CONFIDENTIAL KEY REPORTS**

#### BG/20/05/1 **Principal's Report**

This agenda item was deemed to be confidential and was subject to a separate confidential Minute.

## BG/20/05/2 Communications Update

This agenda item was deemed to be confidential and was subject to a separate confidential Minute.

## BG/20/05/3 Confidential: Group Role & Remit

This agenda item was deemed to be confidential and was subject to a separate confidential Minute.

## **BG/20/05/4 Academic Performance Report**

This agenda item was deemed to be confidential and was subject to a separate confidential Minute.

#### BG/20/05/5 Confidential Report

This agenda item was deemed to be confidential and was subject to a separate confidential Minute.

#### BG/20/05/6 Partnerships

This agenda item was deemed to be confidential and was subject to a separate confidential Minute.

## **BG/20/06 MONITORING REPORTS**

## BG/20/06/1 Access and Participation Plan & Review of Previous Year's Target

The Registrar noted that the return was now financial and a summary had been included for note, with a detailed summary of the College's performance against target. Performance from lower participation neighbourhoods was comparable to average with increasingly improved progression.

Paula Sanderson, Governor, left the meeting.

# **BG/20/06/2** Academic Board Minutes

The Board received the Minutes of the Academic Board meeting held on 11 March 2020.

#### Received.

## BG/20/06/3 ESFA Post 16 Funding Letter

The Board received the ESFA 16-19 funding allocation statement for 2020 to 2021.

#### Received.

## **BG/20/07 COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS**

## BG/20/07/1 Finance & Estates Reports

## A) Confidential Report

This agenda item was deemed to be confidential and was subject to a separate confidential Minute.

## **B) Management Accounts**

The Board received the Management Accounts to 31 January 2020. **Received.** 

# **BG/20/07/2 Nominations & Governance Committee**

The Chair noted that the Strategy Day on 1 May 2020 could not proceed and that the time would be kept for a Board meeting at 10am on that day to enable the Board to keep in touch with the current situation, before the next scheduled Board meeting in July 2020.

## **BG/20/07/3** Audit Committee Report: Confidential - Risk Update

The Board received the risk update.

## Received.

## BG/20/07/4 The Board received the following Minutes and Confidential Minutes:

- Transitional Overview Group 10 December 2019; and 5 February 2020;
- N&G Committee Minutes 28 January 2020;
- F&E Committee Minutes 3 March 2020; and
- Audit Committee Minutes 28 January and 10 March 2020.

#### Received.

## BG/20/08 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next Board of Governors meeting to be held at 10.00am on Friday 1 May 2020 and then Tuesday 7 July 2020.