

Draft Minute of Board Meeting held on Monday 9 November 2020

Present	
Janie McCusker (Chair)	Maureen McKenna
Alisdair Barron	Sheila Meikle
Dave Brown	Alastair Milloy
Paul Buchanan	David Newall
Moira Connolly	Ian Patrick
Caroline MacDonald	Sissa Rasmussen
Ed McGrachan	Jackie Russell
In Attendance	
Martin Boyle (Executive Director)	Paul Little (Principal CoGC)
Frances Curran (EIS FELA)	Lauren McLaren (Student President GKC)
Penny Davis (Board Secretary)	Wendy Odedina (Executive Assistant)
Jim Godfrey (Finance and Resources Director)	Derek Smeall (Principal GKC)
Breea Keenan (Communications Lead)	Jon Vincent (Principal GCC)
Apologies	
Nicolas Garcia	Lesley Garrick
Clare Ireland	Chris Greenshields (Unison)

1. Introduction

Paper No: Verbal

1.1 Discussion

The Chair thanked members for attending this additional meeting of the Board. The Chair also welcomed the new teaching staff board member, Sheila Meikle.

2. Apologies

Paper No: Verbal

2.1 Discussion

Apologies were noted for Lesley Garrick, Nicolas Garcia, Clare Ireland and Chris Greenshields.

3. Declarations of Interest

Paper No: Verbal

3.1 Discussion

The Chair notified members that it is each Member's personal responsibility to indicate to the Chair at any time during the meeting if they have, or may be perceived as having, a conflict of interest under any item on the agenda.

4. Chair's Business

Verbal

4.1 Discussion

The Chair had no matters to report at this stage given proximity to the last meeting of the Board.

5. SFC Review: Review of Coherent Provision and Sustainability of the Glasgow College Region

Paper No: BM3-A

5.1 Discussion

The Executive Director presented the paper in which he set out the proposal to conduct a review of the Glasgow college region, beginning with a consultation call for evidence phase, mirroring the approach of the SFC taken at a national level. He set out the proposed timeline and methodology for this process and the engagement with key partners.

The Board welcomed the clear route map provided and agreed with the proposed timeline for this evidence gathering phase. They discussed the proposed stakeholders and the executive welcomed comments from members on those they would wish to see included as part of this process.

The Chair of City of Glasgow College asked if colleges do not agree with the outcome of the GCRB led review, if they would be able to present their own report as part of the submission. The Chair of the Board noted that this was the start of the evidence gathering process and felt it too early to pre-judge the outcome at this stage. She noted that while she would hope all parties would work collectively to come up with options for consideration, she could not prevent colleges from writing to the SFC should they wish.

The Executive Director noted that once the call for evidence phase was complete, he would envisage meeting with key stakeholder groups in February 2021 to move into a second phase of engagement and to discuss the themes that arise through the responses. He provided assurances that the three assigned colleges would have a key role in the review process.

5.2 Decision

The Board **approved** the methodology and timeframe proposed and the Call for Evidence document for distribution to stakeholders.

6. SFC Sector Review and RSB review

Paper No: BM3-B

6.1 Decision

The Board noted the SFC sector review and no further discussion was required on this paper at this juncture.

7. Review of Disclosable Status

Paper No: Verbal

7.1 Discussion

The Board Secretary confirmed paper BM3-A: Review of Provision of Glasgow College Region as non-disclosable.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Paper No: Verbal

8.1 Decision

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Monday 25 January 2021.