

**THE FURTHER EDUCATION CORPORATION OF MIDDLESBROUGH COLLEGE  
UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BODY SAR VALIDATION SESSION – 24.10.2023**

**PRESENT:** R Davies (CG and Chair), D Budd (CO), C Cannon (CO), J Castor (CG), M Gaze (CG), M Lamb (CG), Z Lewis (Principal/Chief Executive), P Lynn (CG); M McClintock (CG), S Mirsalehi (CG), A Pajura-Jaszczak (Staff Gov), D Still (Staff Gov), P Sharp (CG),

**OFFICERS** A Adamson (VP), Z Foster (Clerk) 3pm onwards, S Marshall (ED); B Robinson (DP), O Rodley (VP).

**APs:** J Barwell, P Blewitt, R Gray, T Pierce (Assistant Director), P Stone, P Watt, C Yule

<b>KEY:</b> CG - College Governor	CO - Co-opted Governor	DP - Deputy Principal
VP - Vice Principal	Clerk – Clerk to the Corporation	ED - Executive Director
AP – Assistant Principals		

**To note** a full data pack with College SAR 2022-23 (draft), summary of value added Department Grades, A Level Value Added grades; Level 3 Progress, Qualification Achievement Rate (QAR) for 16-18, 19+ and Apprenticeships, Intended Destinations, Learning Walk Dashboards, English and Maths Summary (including RCU report) and College KPIs) were provided in advance.

The full presentation was added to the pack post meeting.

**1. Welcome and Introduction**

Z Lewis and O Rodley welcomed everyone to the full day's session and gave a brief introduction to the day which would be a change to previous incantations through an interactive workshop led session ahead of consideration and approval of the final College SAR.

**2. Key Judgements**

- Quality of Education led by B Robinson and T Pierce
- Behaviour and Attitudes led by O Rodley, C Yule and P Blewitt
- Personal Development led by A Adamson, P Watt and J Barwell
- Leadership and Management led by Z Lewis and R Gray

Feedback was given on all key judgements in terms of grading and information with agreed amendments noted for inclusion

**3. Meeting Skills Needs Panel –** led by the Assistant Principals with discussion and feedback from governors.

**4. Provision Type Judgement sessions**

- Young People 16-19 led by C Yule and P Watt
- Adults 19+ led by R Gray and J Barwell
- Apprenticeships led by M Gardiner and P Blewitt
- High Needs led by C Duggan and A Adamson
- Higher Education led by P Stone, J Laidlaw and L McKenna

Feedback was given on all provision type judgements with amendments noted for inclusion in the final document.

**5. Final Validation Agreement of the College SAR and QIP documents**

O Rodley introduced this final item.

Governors had a full discussion on both the key strengths) and key areas for improvement (p8 of the document) offering suggestions and amendments ahead of publication of the College SAR.

The **agreed** areas for improvement would inform the QIP which would be presented to Curriculum and Standards at their December meeting.

After consideration, it was **agreed** for O Rodley to make all of the suggested changes then share the updated document with all of the Governing Body members (including those not present for the session) for final consideration and approval after the half term holiday.

#### 6. Close

Governors reflected upon the changed process where it was agreed that the open discussion and governor involvement had been of considerable benefit.

Governors thanked all staff members for their involvement both pre and at the session. It was hoped that liaison with the Assistant Directors would continue through the learning walks over the year.

#### 7. Any other Business

- a) R Davies requested that Governors staying for the evening event (subject to appropriate quoracy) confirm the possible appointments from two College Governors interviews due to take place ahead of that event to allow for any appointments to be able to join the December Committee meetings.

Governors present **agreed** to this course of action.

The meeting ended at 4.00pm

#### **Post Meeting Approval – Tuesday 24 October 2024**

The appointment of two College Governors on the terms detailed below (subject to appointment checks) was **approved** by a 62% quoracy of board governors:

- a) **Ian Wallace** as College Governor on a four year term of office until 23 October 2027 and for Ian to sit on the Audit and Risk and Remuneration Committees
- b) **Laura Woods** as College Governor also on a four year term of office until 23 October 2027 and for Laura to sit on the Curriculum and Standards and Higher Education Committees.