

Alderman Jacobs Primary School (Academy Trust)

Resources Committee Meeting

Wednesday 21 October 2020

MINUTES

Key:

Trustee Questions
School Improvements

Trustees Present: Cathy Carlisle (Head), Joel Combes (Resources Chair), Laura Holland,

Laura Hemmaway, Denise Burt, Andrew Pattison

In Attendance: Jocelyn Sumner (Finance and Operations Manager), Sarah Woods (Clerk), Gemma Glazebrook (Clerk from Oct 2020)

Meeting opened at 7.01pm

1	Welcome and Apologies	All to note
	Joel Combes (JC) welcomed all to the meeting.	
2	Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Resources Committee 26 February 2020 & Responses Summer 2020)	All to note
	The Resources Committee minutes were agreed as an accurate record.	
	Proposed by Laura Holland (LHO) and seconded by Joel Combes (JC)	
3	Agreed Actions Updated	All to note
	None	
4	Declaration of Pecuniary Interests	All to note
	 Laura Holland- Trust Member of Alderman Jacobs School 	
	(Academy Trust)	
	 Joel Combes- Wife, Sarah Combes is a teacher in school 	
5	Terms Of Reference	All to note
	Agreed, proposed by LHO and seconded by JC.	
6	Budget to Date	All to note
	Governors had been given a Management Report (automated from new	
	finance system) prior to the meeting. Trustees asked why there was	
	such a large surplus. This is because there was a plan to spend all of the	
	funds that were received, which hasn't been possible this year. There	
	has also been more families eligible for Pupil Premium than expected.	
	Has covid had a negative impact on the budget. There has been less	
	funding coming in but there has also been less money being spent. It was explained to trustees that more temporary staff (adults that are	
	already in school) have been recruited to lead interventions, to plug the	

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Initials	Date

	gaps where needed, some of the surplus funds in the budget has been used for this.	
	Trustees asked if the school is currently in a good position. Yes, there	
	were more children in school for the census which means there will be a	
	larger budget for the next school year. In addition to this the school are	
	making their own income from, the Breakfast, After school clubs and	
	lettings. Is school still taking part in PixI for the extra income. Still	
	taking part in some but this has been greatly reduced due to the current	
	situation.	
	Trustees thanked the Finance and operation manager for a clear budget	
	projection.	
	Financial Statement	
	Was agreed and signed by JC .	
7	Policies to ratify	All to note
	Trustees expressed how pleased they were with the policies that have	
	been updated using model policies from Judicium.	
	Best Value- Proposed by LHO, seconded by DB	
	Critical Incident - Proposed by LHO, seconded by AP	
	Internal Financial Procedures - Proposed by LHO, seconded by LHE	
	Capability - Proposed by JC, seconded by LHO	
	Disciplinary - Proposed by JC, seconded by LHO	To action
	Grievance - Proposed by JC, seconded by LHO	Gemma
	Invacuation - Proposed by LHO, seconded by JC	Glazebrook
	Risk Assessment - Proposed by LHO, seconded by LHE	
	Early Bears & straw Bears Terms & Conditions - Proposed by LHO,	
	seconded by AP	
	-Behaviour Management - Proposed by LHO, seconded by AP	
	-Healthy Eating - Proposed by LHO, seconded by AP	
	-Uncollected children - Proposed by LHO, seconded by AP	
	Pay - Proposed by LHO, seconded by DB	
8	Update from Site Manager	All to note
	Governors were happy with the report. Trustees challenged the Early	
	years fire and security. It was explained that there are sufficient fire	
	exits, but would like to have doors fitted that automatically unlock, the	
	same as in the rest of the school. Is the site officer coping with the	
	amount of work. He has been asked, and he doesn't feel he needs the	
	help. Trustees would like to pass on thanks to the Site officer.	
9	Letter to Trusts accounting officers from ESFA's accounting officer	All to note
	The Academies Financial Handbook sets out the requirement for	
	Governors to see annual letters to trust's Accounting Officers from the	
4.0	ESFA's accounting officer.	411
10	Governors Safeguarding role	All to note
	Trustees were presented with a copy of The leadership of Safeguarding	
	checklist prior to the meeting.	
11	Health and Safety- Historical Claim	
	It was explained to Trustees that 10 years ago, a child fell off some	
	equipment onto some mats during a PE lesson. The child has now turned	



	18 and has lodged a claim with the insurance company, claiming that	
	there are long lasting injuries and learning difficulties. Evidence from	
10	school has been sent to the insurance company.	
12	New Co-opted Trustee LHO had approached a possible candidate for a co-opted trustee and personal statement was present to the trustees prior to the meeting. It was expressed that the candidate has the skills and knowledge to bring a lot to our school.	To action: Gemma Glazebrook
	All trustees agreed for candidate to join the trust.	
13	Trustee Training	All to note
	LHO shared with other trustees that there are courses coming up on	
	finance.	
	DB booked on briefings for next 2 terms	
12	Summary of meeting	All to note
	Discussed the budget	
	New co-opted trustee	
	Site manager report	
13	Any other business	All to note
	None	

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