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MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BODY HELD ON TUESDAY 3rd MAY 2022 AT 5PM AT RISEDALE SCHOOL

PRESENT

Governors:	John Glahome (JG) (Chair), Colin Scott (CSc) (Headteacher), Mike Holmes (MH),
	Gary Morley (GMr), Lt Col Jim Turner (JT), Lara Vinsen (LV), Terry McCann (TMc)
In attendance:	James Yates (JY), Sarah Matthewman (SMn), Stacey Burke (SBu)
	Richard Sherwood (RSh), Mark Kirkbride (MKb)
Senior FMS Officer:	Helen Simpson
Clerk:	Judith Bromfield

No.	Item	Action	
	PART 'A' – PROCEDURAL		
1. (05/22)	Welcome and Apologies for Absence and to determine whether any absences should be consented to.		
	Apologies had been received from Carl Les and Amy Beveridge.		
	Resolved to approve apologies.		
2. (05/22)	To remind Governors of the need to declare interests, pecuniary or non-pecuniary.		
	None		
3. (05/22)	To determine whether any part of the proceedings should be treated as confidential and excluded from the minutes to be made available for public inspection.		
	None		
4. (05/22)	Notification of urgent other business previously notified to the Chair		
	None		
	PART 'B' – RESOURCES		
5. (05/22)	Budget Statements – Helen Simpson (HS) Start Budget Notes 2022/23 Draft Start Budget 2022/23 Summary Draft Start Budget 2022/23 Detailed		
	HS referred to the start budget notes that explain how the budget is put together including pupil numbers, the DfE supplementary grant towards extra cost of national insurance and energy costs, and other significant income e.g., Educational Health Care Plans (EHCPs).		
	Q. General Teaching Assistants employed to support pupils with EHCPs, do those costs include support all the way through school?A. Yes, if a pupil leaves the cost is still there as permanent staff costs. Staff can be deployed elsewhere.		



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	From September onwards there will be no catch-up grant as far as we know. We haven't assumed the grant will continue. On expenditure, assumptions include pay awards, increments, TLR, new posts, traded services uplift and energy increases. Staff absence scheme, gone to day 6 rather than day 11 as more beneficial.	
	Capital DfE allocation is £13K and £66K from revenue transfer this financial year to fund:	
	 Principal repayment for the loan Completion of refurbishment of Risedale Centre ICT Hardware Chrome books for Year 7's 	
	No outturn report available as figures only came out on Friday. HS advised verbally an outturn figure of £356K to be incorporated into the budget.	
	Q. The balance forward was predicted to be £272K, now up to £356K, are you sure?A. Yes, there's less expenditure, so there are savings as well as extra income.	
	Q. Are we confident that 3% inflation is enough?A. Yes for traded services and NYCC linked to pay awards 3-5%.	
	CSc explained the rationale for increasing additional appointments from 3 to 4. Following a thorough recruitment process for the science post 2 candidates were approved, the budget will sustain this. JG stated this made sense based on number of pupils coming in. HS is aware of extra pupils and increased staff costs but not assumed a high figure in future years.	
	JG thanked HS for her report and attendance at the meeting.	
	Resolved to approve the Start Budget subject to the revised outturn figure of £356K to be inserted, proposed MH seconded GMr and unanimously agreed.	
	(HS left the meeting)	
	PART 'C' – SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT	
6. (05/22)	To approve the minutes of the previous Governing Body meeting dated 1 st February 2022 and consider any matters arising.	
	Resolved to approve the minutes as a true record, proposed MH, seconded GMr and unanimously agreed.	
	JG asked if there were any questions or issues to raise on the reports submitted for the 30 th March GB meeting that was cancelled. None received.	
6.1	Summary of Actions Review	
	SMn was thanked for the Equalities Report.	
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	Actions were RAG rated and updated. JG stated the Risk Register report be presented to the next meeting.	GMo
7. (05/22)	Minutes of the School Development Group 27th April 2022	
	Two corrections to be actioned, date of meeting amended to 27 th April and James Durham to be amended to James Durran. MH gave an overview of the meeting content.	
	Resolved to approve the minutes, proposed JG, seconded LV and unanimously agreed.	
8. (05/22) 8.1	Principal's Report - to receive and ask questions Attendance/Admissions/Exclusions (CSc)	
	Governors had received a written report with data and case studies showing actions around the lowest attending groups. CSc advised, attendance slightly above average of secondary. Persistent absence high, interventions in place to address this. GMo doing sterling work to impact on this. Yr 10 overall the worst. GMo advised there is a big push on legal and unofficial holidays.	
	 Q. Do we anticipate Yr 11 not turning up for exams? A. It's unknown, routines getting back after Covid difficult to break from, having to reteach exam routines. 	
	Q. Do we know what is going to happen nationally regarding the figures?A. CSc understands they will be available to Ofsted but not the public.	
	CSc advised exclusions are reducing.	
8.2	Safeguarding (JYa)	
	JYa advised on the perception of mental wellbeing, a lack of resilience amongst pupils and parents at the moment. Very much about mental wellbeing and anxiety.	
	 Q. In general do you feel pupils feel safe in the school? A. CSC - yes they feel safe and issues from younger kids re older pupils hanging around the toilets being addressed bu JYa who is looking at plans for the toilet area. 	
	JG stated on his visit he spoke to pupils and they said they felt safe and issues raised dealt with.	
	TMc asked about staggered lunchtimes. We are going back to single lunch to resolve difficulties with managing lunch time duties, teachers are not allowed to be asked to manage at lunch time, being done but spread thinly and less opportunity for pupils to hang around.	



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	Q. Wouldn't smaller groups be better?A. No because of capacity of staff.	
	SMn - single lunch but 3 sittings, expectations of where children should be when they are having their lunch or not having their lunch.	
	(Sara Burke arrived at 17.52)	
8.3	SEND & The Hub Update (SBu)	
	Governors had received a written report detailing SEND register data, attendance and interventions being delivered.	
	Q. What is the biggest challenge for SEND at the moment?	
	A. Sheer number of pupils on the register, a lot are presenting with high needs. Being in the classroom environment, out in corridors, following behaviour policy are the main concerns at present. CSC expressed his concern that schools were advising parents Risedale would be better for your child with high needs and read a case study.	
	LV stated that parents may think the school can't meet their need if the see low SEND figures, higher figures parents think they can meet their need. Risedale Centre opening in September.	
	Q. Is it included in the budget?A. Yes	
	Hub Update – SBu A lot of work post covid as detailed in the report, Veterans Woodcraft building bridges project, Carlton Lodge activities and workshops. Working with alternative provision, the hub is a part of that, but still accessing traditional curriculum, that is what the hub is likely to come rather than intervention, alternative provision.	
	Q. How are you getting on with recruiting an extra teacher?A. An advert is going out.	
9. (05/22)	Academisation Update CSc	
	CSc gave a verbal update on exploration of academisation, feedback from DfE and LA and process and timescales. Governors received a PP handout from a meeting held on 1.3.22 to discuss potential MAT.	
	Governors noted the update with no decisions to be made at this meeting.	
10. (05/22)	Policy Revisions	
	 Child Protection Policy (JYa) Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions (SBu) Attendance Policy (Pupils) (CSc) 	
	Proposed MH, seconded GMo and resolved to approve the above policies.	
	 Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions (SBu) Attendance Policy (Pupils) (CSc) 	



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11. (05/22)	School Improvement Report - James Durran	
	Governors received the LA School Improvement report.	
12. (05/22)	Parent Governor Election Outcome	
	CSc advised there were no applicants.	
	Resolved to re-advertise in September.	
PART 'D'- OTHER BUSINESS		·
13. (05/22)	<u>Urgent Business</u> None	
14. (05/22)	Any Questions from SLT to Governors None	
	<u>Date of Future Meetings</u> Tuesday 05 th July 2022 @ 5pm (Focus – Personal Development, Behaviour and Attitudes)	

Membership of the Governing Body

Terry McCann, Amy Beveridge, Samantha Cotgrave, John Glahome (Chair), Mike Holmes, Carl Les, Gary Morley, Colin Scott, Jim Turner, Lara Vinsen.

Members of the Senior Leadership Team

Stacey Burke (Senior Teacher), Sarah Cox (Senior Teacher), Jane Hailwood (Senior Teacher), Mark Kirkbride (Senior Teacher), Sarah Matthewman (Deputy Headteacher), Gill Morrissey (Director of Facilities), Richard Sherwood (Senior Teacher), James Yates (Deputy Headteacher)