

**Minutes of Meeting of the Search Committee  
of the Governing Body of Carmel College  
held on Tuesday, 24 June, 2008 at 5.40 pm**

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Present: Mr Peter Alcock  
Mr Brian Coxhead  
Mr Rod Hill (Chair)  
Mr Mike Nencini  
Mr Rob Peacock  
Dr Christine Tyler

In Attendance: Mrs Alison Fishwick (Acting Clerk)

**1. Declarations of Interest**

None.

**2. Apologies**

Mr John Perry (Clerk) *Mrs Fishwick was appointed Acting Clerk*

**3. Minutes of the meeting of 11 March, 2008**

**These were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.**

Noted that under Agenda Item 5 "Hulton College" should read "Halton College".

**4. Matters Arising**

**Agenda Item 8 – Evaluation of the Strategic Planning Day, 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2008**

It was noted that the Minutes had stated that it had been agreed to present a further report on the issues raised in discussion during the Planning Day for the Full Governing Body meeting in June and that this has not been fulfilled. The Principal apologised for this oversight and it was agreed to bring the action points to the first meeting of the Search Committee in the Autumn for discussion at the Full Governing Body meeting in October.

**5. Appointment of the Student Governor 2008-09**

**The Committee agreed to commend the appointment of Ms Esi Appiah-Anane to the Governing Body as she had been nominated by the Student Council.**

Dr Christine Tyler repeated her offer to mentor the Student Governor by, for example, looking through the papers prior to the Governing Body meetings and was happy for the Student Governor to have her contact details.

The Student Council had also nominated Mr Christopher Ashcroft to act as Deputy to Ms Appiah-Anane. **The Committee agreed to commend this to the Governing Body.**

**6. Any Other Business**

**(a) Governors' Strategic Planning Day**

**Governors agreed that the Strategic Planning Day should be arranged as an annual event at the same time of the year. Governors agreed to recommend Saturday, 31 January, 2009 to the Full Governing Body and for the event to be held at Carmel College.**

Governors discussed generally the topics most likely to be included e.g. changes to the Machinery of Government, curriculum matters and local developments. At this point the Principal referred to the proposed formation of a 'Federation' between two Warrington partner schools. Although remaining on two sites the schools will be governed by one Governing Body and there will be one Head Teacher. The Principal reported that he would be meeting with the Archdiocese shortly to discuss not only this development but also the Academy initiative.

A general conversation took place concerning the benefits of either senior staff or Governors at Carmel contributing to the governance of other educational institutions in the borough, particularly schools of the Catholic faith. It was believed that this sharing of experiences and good practice could be beneficial to all parties.

**(b) Carmel College Awards**

Dr Tyler asked whether the College had pursued the idea of presenting a Carmel Award to students at partner schools. The Principal responded that he will raise this with the Head Teachers during his annual visits to the partner schools which normally take place in the Autumn Term.

Signed by the Chair: .....

On this day: .....