

# CORPORATE GOVERNING BODY OF GODALMING COLLEGE

## Minutes of a meeting of the Search Committee of Godalming College held at the College on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2009 at 6.00pm

**Present:** Hugh Pile (Chairman)  
David Adelman(Principal)  
Michael Laver  
Sharon Ward  
David Wheatley

**In Attendance:** Stella Halloran(Clerk to the Corporation)

### ACTION

1. **Apologies for absence**  
There were none – all were present.
2. **Declaration of Interests**  
No member had any interests to declare on items on the agenda
3. **Minutes and matters arising**  
The minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2009 were approved and signed.

The meeting noted that Neil Parsons had been elected staff governor and had already attended one main meeting and a committee meeting.

4. **Membership of the Corporation**
  - **Parent Governor** – 3 parents had been nominated for this position and, after a close parent ballot, Helena Hockridge had been elected. She had attended an induction meeting with the Chairman and Clerk of the Corporation and two committee meetings to date.
  - **Vacancy arising from the end of the term of office of Margaret Jack** (December 2009)  
6 people had shown an interest in becoming governors of the College. 3 had responded to the advertisement in the local newspaper, one had sent a letter of interest before the advert and 2 were the unsuccessful parent governor nominees.  
5 of the 6 have visited College and met with Hugh Pile, David Adelman and the Clerk. At this point all remained interested.  
Governors felt that, after consideration of their CVs, it would be sensible to interview all 6 and appoint two at this time – one to replace Margaret Jack from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010 and one to replace Valerie Martin-Long in May 2010.  
It was agreed that the clerk would arrange interviews and that David Adelman, David Wheatley and Hugh Pile would comprise the panel, with Stella Halloran in attendance.  
It was further agreed that selection of the two most appropriate people to fill the vacancies would be left to the interviewing panel and

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that their recommendations would be made to the Corporation on 8<sup>th</sup> December, assuming that the interviewing process had been completed by then.

Consideration was given to the vacancies left on committees by the departure of Margaret Jack. Suggestions were made and it was left to the Chairman to contact governors to see if they would be interested in filling / prepared to fill these.

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5. **Consideration of vacancies arising during 2010**

The following members' terms of office come to an end during 2010:

Sharon Ward 31<sup>st</sup> March – 8 years served at that date. Sharon has indicated a willingness to serve a further 4 years and the **Search Committee recommends her re-appointment to the Corporation.**

Valerie Martin-Long 31<sup>st</sup> May 2010 – 12 years served at that date, so sadly unable to be re-appointed.

Stephen Dennison 31<sup>st</sup> August 2010 – 4 years served at that date. The Chairman has contacted him and he wishes to serve a further 4 years. **The Search Committee recommends his re-appointment to the Corporation.**

For information: Hugh Pile will have served 4 years on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2010 and Michael Laver will have served 8 years on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2010. These will be discussed at the next Search Committee meeting.

8. **Date of next meeting**

**Tuesday March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm**

The meeting closed at 6.45pm

Signed: .....

Date: .....