

The Manchester College Board

Minutes of the meeting held on Friday 1st May 2020 at 10am via Microsoft Teams.

Present: Jenifer Burden MBE, Jess Draper, Cllr John Hacking, Catherine Hill OBE, Lisa O'Loughlin (Principal), Malcolm Sugden, Pauline Waterhouse OBE (Chair).

In Attendance: Amy Avery (Assistant Company Secretary & Solicitor), Rachel Curry (Deputy Principal), John Evans (Vice Principal - Quality and Standards), Jennifer Foote MBE (Company Secretary and General Counsel), Gary Hughes (Group Marketing and External Relations Director), Christine Kenyon (Deputy Principal), Debbie Sanderson (Divisional Finance Director - College and Income Team) Michael Walsh (Vice Principal and Dean - HE and Higher Skills).

Apology: Rebecca Bishop (Group HR Director)

No declaration of interests were received.

The Board reflected on the recent death of Cllr Sue Murphy CBE (Chair of the LTE Group Board) and recognised the valued significant contribution made by her to education and skills both regionally and nationally.

Part A

04/20	<p>Part A minutes of the meeting held on 7th February 2020</p> <p>The Part A minutes of the meeting held on 7th February 2020 were received, approved as a correct record, to be signed in hard copy by the Chair when feasible.</p>
05/20	<p>Covid-19 Reporting</p> <p>A detailed report was presented to the Board which explained the expected impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the current academic year (2019/20) and the next academic year (2020/21).</p> <p>The attention of the Board was drawn to the key strategic priorities which had been identified from an in-depth scenario planning exercise. The meeting was given assurance that rigorous plans were in place to cover a range of eventualities.</p> <p>The members endorsed the proposed direction of travel in tackling the key priorities intended to ameliorate the impact of Covid-19 on the College's learners, colleagues and financial position.</p> <p>The Board noted its thanks to the Principalship for their extensive efforts to support the College's students and colleagues, during this difficult time.</p>

	<p>RESOLVED that as the items to be considered are deemed commercially sensitive, the Board moved into confidential session.</p>
	<p>----- Chair</p> <p>----- Date</p>

The meeting closed at 12:07pm