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**Minutes of the meeting of the University Academy of Engineering Local
Governing Body
held at 4.00 pm on Wednesday, 14 March 2018
University Academy of Engineering - Trafalgar Street, London SE17 2TP**

Present

Rao Bhamidimarri (Chair)
Natalie Ferer
Karen Fowler
Steve French
Samantha Jury-Dada
Lesley Morrison
Tony Roberts
John Taylor

In attendance

Alexander Enibe
Jason Phillipsz (item 7)
Robert Harding (item 8 and 9)

1. Welcome and apologies

The chair welcomed the governors to the meeting.

2. Declarations of interest

No governors declared a conflict of interest in any item on the agenda.

3. Minutes of previous meeting

The LGB approved the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 15 November 2017.

4. Matters arising

The LGB noted agenda item 7 Self-Evaluation form from the action sheet and requested that the Principal should present it at the next LGB meeting of 24 May 2018.

5. Day 10 (Principal's Presentation)

The LGB noted the Principal's presentation on 'Day 10', which had been developed to deliver UAE's vision and promise.

'Day 10' would be the new structure of the students' timetable for participating in various projects.

The LGB discussed potential areas for collaboration with LSBU where they can provide support, which are being discussed.

The LGB requested to see further information on the Principal proposed projects.

6. **Principal's Report**

The LGB discussed the Principal's report, including the department reviews, new marking and feedback policy, which is being implemented at the school.

The LGB noted that although initial uptake of computing was high, a large number of students were dropping it as a subject for GCSE. The Principal confirmed that there is a need for a computing teacher.

The LGB noted that there are performance issues with some teachers, but this is being addressed.

The Principal confirmed that there would be a mock Ofsted review on Tuesday, 20 March 2018.

7. **Student attainment & progress**

Jason Phillipsz joined the meeting.

The LGB noted the student attainment and progress.

The LGB noted the presentation of the new formatrix system used for measuring the students' performance. The system uses DfE data and statistics to calculate results and is able to accurately determine precisely students' attainment, unlike the previous system that was based on prediction.

Students would be tested twice a year unlike the current model where they are tested every six weeks.

Some gaps in Year 10 performance had been identified.

The LGB discussed the Principal's plan for addressing students' performance.

Jason Phillipsz left the meeting.

8. **Safeguarding Report**

Rob Harding joined the meeting.

The LGB discussed the safeguarding report.

The LGB discussed the safeguarding issues which appear unique to the locality such as, domestic violence, gang culture and child exploitation and FGM (for girls) and neglect/housing. The Designated Safeguarding Lead

confirmed that safeguarding training is currently being done by staff and that they are using links with other schools and getting support from police and local agencies.

9. Preparing Students for Examination

The LGB discussed the preparations students for examinations.

Year 10 had taken mock exams in January 2018 in every subject and the results were good.

The LGB noted the Principal's proposal to use pupil premium funding to initiate tuition programs.

The LGB noted that a longer-term plan is being developed and would be discussed at the next meeting.

Rob Harding left the meeting.

10. School Risk Register

The LGB noted the school risk register.

11. Finance Management Report

The LGB noted that there was no finance management report and that the Business Manager had resigned. Natalie Ferer (Chair of Finance and General Purposes sub-committee) confirmed that the accounts are being prepared and would be available in two weeks and be circulated to the LGB.

The LGB noted that there are temporary staff helping with the SBA finances, and that training is being provided to the staff at the schools to ensure that accounting records are kept properly.

12. Governors visit

The LGB noted the Governor visit reports from Natalie Ferer and Steve French.

13. Update from MAT

The Chair of the LGB informed the LGB that he would be standing down as the Chair and CEO of SBA at the next SBA Board meeting on 22 March 2018. The Chair thanked the LGB for their support and commitment to the schools. The LGB thanked the Chair for setting up the schools and wished him well.

14. Reports from subcommittees

The LGB noted the reports from the subcommittees.

**Date of next meeting
4.00 pm, on Thursday, 24 May 2018**

Confirmed as a true record

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