

Minutes of AGM held on 17th October 2012 at Barnsley College.

Present: 32 governors representing 29 schools and Barnsley College, C Webb (Wellspring Academy Trust), S Brailsford (BMBC) and Cllr. T Cheetham.

1) Welcome from the Chair of the BGA.

2) Apologies for absence: L Marsh, J Glazzard, A Rice, L Sutcliffe.

3) Minutes of the AGM held on 5th October 2011 were agreed, proposed by S Cook and seconded by E Sanderson.

4) Matters arising from the minutes: none.

5) Report of the Executive Committee: M Sanderson spoke to his written report which was distributed to attendees. He described the Executive Committee as an experienced and diverse group of people who have worked together as a team. The Executive Committee set six priorities arising out of the aims of the BGA – encourage at least 75% of GBs to be members of the BGA, hold a conference, develop a website, provide information to governors, represent governors and develop training – and these have been achieved. The Executive Committee will meet next week to draw up plans for this academic year.

M Sanderson thanked BMBC and its officers, Barnsley College and the Schools Forum for their support.

6) Questions arising from the report: none.

7) Approval of accounts: a financial report was tabled and was agreed with none against.

8) Nominations and elections to the BGA Executive Committee: eight written nominations (for M Beever, S Cook, P Doyle, A England, M Gostelow, L Marsh, M Pawson, M Sanderson) were tabled, and the election of those nominated was agreed with none against.

9) Nominations from the floor: following the election there were four vacancies on the Executive Committee. There were no nominations from the floor.

10) Review of the constitution: amendments to the constitution, proposed by the Executive Committee, were tabled and were agreed with none against.

11) Resolutions: no resolutions were proposed.

12) Election of BGA officers: the following were proposed and elected: Chair, M Sanderson; Vice Chair, A England; Treasurer, S Cook; Secretary, M Gostelow.

13) Appointment of auditors: it was proposed that BMBC remain as the BGA's auditors and this was agreed with none against.

14) Agreement of subscriptions: it was agreed that the subscription for a governing body would remain at £50 pa, payable on April 1st, and the subscription for an individual associate governor would remain at £10 pa.

Speaker: Emma Knights, Chief Executive National Governors Association, followed by Question and Answer Session.

The meeting concluded with refreshments and the opportunity for informal discussions.