

Mr Gough confirmed that the Education Committee had reviewed the Sector Corporate Plan, draft College Development Plan, Report Cards and targets. Mr Gough stated that Members reviewed and approved seven policies.

• **Audit Committee 6 June 2018**

Mr Nugent provided an overview of discussions at the Audit Committee of 6 June. He stated that Members reviewed the Progress against the Audit Plan and six internal audit reports. Mr Nugent stated that Members had reviewed the Internal Audit Plan, the External Audit Strategy and the Corporate Risk Register. He stated that the Committee had been informed of two new Direct Award Contracts and noted an encouraging report following a DfE TfS audit.

• **Finance and General Purposes Committee 12 June 2018**

Mr Redmond confirmed that the Finance and General Purposes Committee of 12 June reviewed standing agenda items including the DfE Reclassification Returns, Credit Card, Aged Debtors, Aged Creditors, Prompt Payment and the Governing Body Budget report and expressed no concerns.

Mr Redmond confirmed that the Committee had approved the Capitalisation, Bring Your Own Device, Sector Data Protection and Whistleblowing policies. He advised that Members discussed whether the Whistleblowing policy should encompass disclosures received from members of the public. Mr McGonigal stated that he was in the process of obtaining legal advice on the topic.

Mr Redmond advised that the Finance Committee approved a change of signatories on the bank mandate and reviewed a breakdown of costs incurred for attendance at the GO Awards. Mr Redmond confirmed that Committee Members were informed of two new Direct Award Contracts.

The Governing Body unanimously adopted the Committee minutes.

**7. CORPORATE PLAN
COLLEGE DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2018-19
REPORT CARDS**

Mr Doran presented the Corporate Plan and College Development Plan (CDP) and advised Members of further refinement of the Corporate Plan in advance of printing. He stated that CDP and associated report cards were directly aligned to Programme for Government outcomes and indicators and to the key pillars of the industrial strategy. He explained that the CDP was for a one year period. Discussion took place regarding future skills needs and employability and the importance of an inclusive curriculum to improve social cohesion and address barriers to education.

Mr Doran presented the report cards constructed on an outcome based accountability approach. Members reviewed the three report cards addressing;

- Qualifications and enrolments;
- Business engagement; and
- Social inclusion.

Members noted the new style of reporting, the baseline information and issues highlighted in each of the report cards. Discussion took place regarding the four quadrants highlighting quantity, quality, effort and effect. Members were advised of the purpose of the enrolment template and how it informs the projections and results.

Members expressed satisfaction with the three documents and these were unanimously approved on the proposal of Mr Turner and seconded by Mr McCormick.

Mr Sloan left the meeting at 20.30 and returned at 20.34.

Mr McCormick left the meeting at 20.39 and returned at 20.42.

Mr Gough left the meeting at 20.40 and returned at 20.43.

8. DfE CORRESPONDENCE – PROPERTIES DIVISION

Mr Doran referred Members to the Departmental letter of 31 May and advised of sector concerns regarding Properties Division's performance as captured within the Corporate Risk Register and discussed by the Audit Committee.

Mrs Thompson left the meeting at 20.52 and returned at 20.55.

A detailed discussion took place with Governors expressing the preferred option of appointing contractors on a measured term contract and the desirable opportunity of direct access.

Mr Doran informed of a draft business case being advanced through the NIFON Group.

The Governing Body endorsed the approach and requested that Mr Doran monitor the situation and report accordingly to governors.

Mr Doran

9. REGISTER OF INTERESTS

Mr Saunders asked that Members review the Register of Interests to ensure accuracy and report any anomalies or omissions to the Secretary.

Governors

10. STANDING ORDERS - REVIEW

The Governing Body unanimously approved minor amendments contained with the Standing Orders, revised as part of its annual review.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr Saunders reminded Members of the SRC Annual Golf Tournament scheduled to take place Friday 22 June in Tandragee.

Mr Doran invited Governors to the Corporate and Wellbeing Day on 20 August at the Armagh City Hotel.

Mr Saunders reminded Members to register their attendance at the FE Graduation on 31 August.

12. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next Governing Body meeting is scheduled to take place on **Tuesday 4 September 2018 at 18.30 in the Boardroom, Newry West Campus.**

The meeting concluded at 20.58.

A.P. SLS
CHAIR

4/9/18
DATE

