**Minutes of Governor’s Zoom Meeting – 2022.07.07**

**Present:**

Jonathan Gulliford (Chair), Jo Gulliford (Head Teacher) Carol Cruickshank, Aiden Darley and Bob Gulliford.

Jonathan opened with prayer

**1. Apologies and Absence**

Fiona Barber, Gary Williams

**2. Minutes – 2022.05.05**

Agreed

**3. Matters Arising**

Staffing - Two applicants are being considered for Primary Teacher and Teaching Assistant roles.

The teacher is not formally qualified but has home schooled, worked in a nursery and as a nanny and Sunday school teacher. JVG will be assisting with planning and teaching alongside her. CC expressed concern that JVG would not have time to teach. JVG said she had 5 free hours a week. She is looking at various ways of supervising, training and using staff.

**4. Headteacher’s Report**

GCSE exams went smoothly. Year 10s have done their mock exams.

End of year assessments have been undertaken and report writing is in progress. JVG was encouraged with progress, particularly in Kirsty’s class whom she felt had suffered most from Lockdown.

Attendance was improved and now in the higher 90s.

The Exam Centre – was deemed satisfactory by the inspector. CC noted that a lot of man power was needed to run the exams and was very grateful for the many who invigilated. JVG particularly gave thanks for Morag who spent her time praying for the children as she invigilated. It was felt the Cabin may be too hot in very warm weather. The situation will be monitored.

CC has put in a huge amount of time and effort in setting up the exam centre. We are greatly indebted to her and record our sincere thanks.

**6. School Development Plan**

Not as much achieved as hoped. CPD will be a priority next term.

**7. Finance**

South Glos. have failed, in spite of many requests, to pay outstanding bills. The school does not have the resources to carry such a short fall. JG has informed them that Court Proceedings will be started if the money is not paid this week.

Generally, the position is good, gifts are still coming in and no other fees are outstanding. We praise God for the provision of finance for the Exam Centre.

**8. Building report**

See attached.

Yesterday BG spoke with a contractor about landscaping and disabled access around the Cabin; awaiting his proposals.

Work parties are needed for other tasks, e.g. painting the exterior of the Cabin, hedge trimming behind the Cabin and adjacent to the road, Cabin windows and doors to be rubbed down and treated. AD to muster help.

JG will arrange for emptying of septic tank before work begins on new toilets on the 20th July.

BG said he will do his best to ensure work in the main building and the Cabin is completed by mid-August so that rooms can be prepared for the new term.

**9. Tyndale**

Email from Giles Arnold, Chief Executive of the Church Growth Trust attached.

The pros and cons were discussed. Staff were generally positive having visited the site but with some reservations. JVG will have a meeting with the staff at an INSET day on 18/07/22 and governors will be invited to attend.

JG noted that we had been praying for more space, then unsought, this offer came. JVG said we now have a waiting list of 19 children.

It was agreed to continue talks with the Tyndale Trustees.

**10. A.O.B.**

Admissions Policy needs rewriting. JVG and CC to produce a draft to be circulated by email.

**11. Prayer**

BG closed with prayer and thanksgiving.