



HOA Board Memorandum of Meetings

Friday 22 January 2021

At our Board meeting today, we agreed to fund a number of new programmes, these were; A further £100k of funding, being made available to all schools and Trusts over the next few months, so that they can deliver IT and online learning support to meet the needs of their pupils. £10k of funding to 'Get Hastings Reading' to deliver further books for schools, children and young people and £10k funding to distribute enrichment/learning packs to schools.

Positive progress on the management of year four projects has been made and good levels of engagement with schools was reported as very encouraging. Effective light touch approaches to monitoring and reporting have been implemented to support schools and partners to capture the impact and outcomes of projects. The Board reported that they were impressed by the student voice captured in some areas of the programme and highlighted the need to capture further feedback to get a further sense of the impact, to identify where children and young people are genuinely engaging and realising the benefits of the programme.

Friday 20 November 2020

At today's Board meeting, there was a special focus on literacy and creating a collaborative and sustainable legacy. It was agreed that future Head Teacher and MAT CEO meetings would be used to collaborate and embed learning and sustain link into wider structures.

Positive progress was reported on the emotional wellbeing, curriculum and recovery work, which has been greatly received. Heads are very positive about the work that is being done and flexibility, light touch reporting and sharing of learning and outcomes sighted as making a difference.

The Board were pleased to report that despite Covid 19 restrictions, the HOA were continuing to deliver programmes during a period of uncertainty.

Friday 18 September 2020

During our Board meeting today, we agreed to a number of proposals: twinning with East Sussex County Council and a shared learning strategy, a programme of dissemination and learning of the literacy funded programme, a proposal for twinning in respect of the Hastings Maths Project.

The Board expressed appreciation for the good work being done by the HOA team.

Wednesday 10 June 2020

At our Board meeting today, we agreed to fund the following new programmes: a summer/transitional activities programme for schools and community providers to bid for using year 3 HOA funding. IT funding to support schools, including laptops/access to WiFi for vulnerable pupils, alongside support for schools to develop web-based learning and how to deliver this. The HOA proposal for year 4 and the strategic priorities it set out.

The Board agreed to support the notion of twinning with the expectation that each OA will commit a proportion of funding towards this and that East Sussex is particularly important to look at.

Thursday 16 April 2020

At the Board meeting today, we agreed to fund a number of new programmes. These were; funding for schools to provide food vouchers for those pupils/families who are vulnerable and in food need, but who are not currently eligible for FSMs, funding for additional key workers, to provide emotional and practical support for children and their parents/carers who are experiencing difficulties and funding for transition support for schools and the college, to deliver transitional support for pupils, particularly during the Summer, prior to and to support a phased return to school.

There was a declared conflict of interest in relation to a decision as a board member around the funding for additional key workers by Carole Dixon, who stepped outside during this conversation.