

MINUTES

Meeting: Education Panel
Date: Wednesday 26 November 2014
Time: 2.00 pm
Place: Committee Room 5, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA

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Present:

Jennette Arnold OBE AM (Chair)
Tony Arbour AM
Andrew Boff AM
Andrew Dismore AM
Darren Johnson AM
Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM

1 Apologies for Absence and Chair's Announcements (Item 1)

1.1 There were no apologies for absence.

2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)

2.1 **Resolved:**

That the list of offices held by Assembly Members, as set out in the tables at Agenda Item 2, be noted as disclosable pecuniary interests.

3 Minutes (Item 3)

3.1 Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Education Panel held on 18 September 2014 be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

4 Summary List of Actions (Item 4)

4.1 The Panel received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

4.2 Resolved:

That the outstanding action arising from a previous meeting of the Panel be noted.

5 Pupil Referral Units and Alternative Provision in London (Item 5)

5.1 The Panel received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions to the following guests about Pupil Referral Units and Alternative Provision in London:

- John d'Abbro, Head, New Rush Hall Group, Redbridge;
- Anna Cain, Chief Executive and Head of Boxing Academy, Hackney;
- Gabrielle Grodentz, Head of Alternative Provision, London Borough of Islington; and
- Seamus Oates, Executive Headteacher, Tri-borough Alternative Provision.

5.2 A transcript of the discussion is attached at **Appendix 1**.

5.3 During the course of discussion, the Gabrielle Grodentz and Seamus Oates agreed to provide any data they had on numbers of young people in Alternative Provision and results of questionnaires completed by young people and parents.

5.4 Resolved:

That the report, and subsequent discussion, be noted.

6 Education Panel Work Programme 2014/15 (Item 6)

6.1 The Panel received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

6.2 **Resolved:**

(a) That the Panel's work programme be noted; and

(b) That the 11 February 2015 meeting of the Panel would be used for an update on the Panel's work on the Mayor's Education Inquiry.

7 Date of Next Meeting (Item 7)

7.1 The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 11 February 2015 at 2.30pm in Committee Room 4.

8 Any Other Business the Chair Considers Urgent (Item 8)

8.1 There was no other business.

9 Close of Meeting

9.1 The meeting ended at 4.09pm.

Chair

Date

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