

Academy Partnership Committee Meeting
St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley and on line
Tuesday 16th January 2024
2.00pm.

Members:

Joe Davies (JD), Stephen Ravenscroft (SR),

In attendance:

Bishop Richard Moth (+R), Julie Oldroyd (JO), Maria Cowler (MC), Mark Brunet (MB)
Gill Sajnog (GS). Dave Carter (DC)

Apologies:

Patrick Burgess (PB), Greg Melley (GM), Fr Jonathan Martin (JM), Sarah Kilmartin (SK)

Opening Prayer – Bishop Richard

Item 3

No conflicts declared for this item

To discuss the application of St Wilfrid's Catholic Primary School, Burgess Hill, to join Bosco Catholic Academy Trust

APC discussion with DC

Due diligence documentation was reviewed

APC decision

Conditional consent was agreed

JO to send conditional consent letter to send to CoG, Bosco CET and advise Winckworth Sherwood

JO enquired about which schools might be presented at the next APC in March.

DC outlined current stages of due diligence for a number of schools and will clarify in time for the next agenda.

DC left the meeting

Item 4

Update on Academisation

Bosco

- There is activity in East Sussex, with St Mary Star of the Sea likely to be the first school to join from that area.

- In West Sussex St Oscar Romero, St Philip's, Arundel and St Catherine's, Littlehampton are progressing.
- A leadership model across St Mary's, Bognor and St Richard's, Chichester with an Executive Head has been agreed with DC approval, as they are also in discussion with the Trust.
- DC and Paul Bilton have been pushing ahead with due diligence and Bosco has a clear growth plan.

Xavier

- St Cuthbert's, Englefield Green and St Joseph's, Guildford joined on the 1st December.
- St Joseph's, Redhill and St Francis, Caterham have not yet gone to the Partnership Board, but progress is being made.
- Xavier is facilitating the Leadership across St Joseph's, Redhill and St Clement's, Ewell with an Executive Head model.
- St Clement's, Ewell have started conversations with Xavier and a meeting is planned with governors.
- St Andrew's will be the next secondary to come to the APC; date t.b.c.

St Bede's - JO remains in regular contact with Roz Corder, Director at Southwark Diocesan Board of Education. A meeting has been agreed for 15th March with both diocesan Directors, governors and Winckworth Sherwood.

JO informed the committee that JO, DC and JK have a meeting with the Regional Director, Dame Kate Dethridge, on 20th February. It is an opportunity to outline the diocesan academisation vision.

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AOB

No AOB

Item 6

Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 26 March

Dates for APC meetings 23/24 2pm-4pm

Tuesday 14 May

Tuesday 9 July

Wednesday 1st May 24 AGM – time TBC