



they make a note on their form of any or no change and sign and date it. The governors made comments that this was a waste of paper and seemed unnecessary when current procedure seemed watertight.

#### 75. GOVERNOR ELECTIONS

The Clerk advised nothing much to report - full complement of 11 governors. The next term of office to expire was that of P. Lloyd on 01.05.06, having completed two terms. The governors asked the Clerk to ascertain from PL whether he wished to continue/step down.

ACTION: C PARTRIDGE

#### 76. HEAD TEACHERS REPORT

A copy was circulated to all present and DGB read through it.

Extension - DGB showed the governors the plans. A governor enquired as to the anticipated duration of work, difficult to say until contractor appointed, but work would have to carry on in September after the holiday period. This was covered in the Pre-construction Health & Safety Plan, and would be discussed further with the chosen contractor.

4K Monies

Cost of boundary fencing for garden £500.

Special Needs

- see Confidential Items

#### 77. FINANCIAL REPORT/BUDGET UPDATE

- see Confidential Items

#### 78. SCHOOL PROFILE

As previously discussed the School Profile replaces the Annual Report to parents and is an on-line document. It is to be completed and submitted for on-line publication; with parents having the right to request a hard copy if they are unable to access the internet. DGB is now in possession of the blank School Profile and read from it various questions and prompts to be completed by the school; for instance, 'What have been our successes this year?' - this would come from the S.E.F., etc. A discussion took place as to the best way to complete the document - as a Governing Body, a committee or DGB to complete for approval by the Governing Body. All governors agreed, DGB to complete for approval by the Governing Body. A governor enquired as to the completion date - must be completed during the summer term 2006.

#### 79. PSHE POLICY

This had been circulated with the agenda for review prior to the meeting. DGB explained that this policy had been part of the S.I.P. and also from the Healthy Schools Action Plan. All governors agreed that the policy was sound, this was PROPOSED: P. BISHOP and SECONDED: S. FLEMING

#### 80. PLAYTIME SNACKS

DGB explained that he was concerned about some of the snacks being brought in by the children for consumption at playtime, e.g. chocolate bars, sweets etc. This presented him with a dilemma, in that he did not wish to be dictatorial, but would rather like the children and parents to act themselves regarding healthy snacking. A discussion ensued, and a governor suggested that the School Council be involved; perhaps they could do a poster showing the items to be brought in and those not to be brought in, and possibly conduct a survey and be active in promoting healthy snacking. All governors agreed this would be a positive step forward.

#### 81. S.E.F.

DGB informed that all the suggested alterations, discussed at a previous meeting, had now been

included on the 2nd submission of the S.E.F. DGB went through items 1a, 4e, 7c and explained additions which emphasise the anomalies present in the PANDA, due to LAMPS being a small school, with a higher proportion of boys than girls, deprivation factors applied but not relevant due to geographical location, and an attendance higher than national average. A governor enquired when the next Ofsted inspection was likely to be, could possibly be next October; however DGB explained that schools are now subject to inspections on particular subjects at very short notice e.g. could receive a call saying 'we're coming to inspect History tomorrow'.

The S.E.F. will continue to be updated as and when necessary. DGB circulated a copy of the report from David Jackson from the School Improvement Team, explaining that a PIB was a Pre-Inspection Briefing, whereby schools anticipated questions to be raised during an inspection.

## 82. SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The School Improvement Plan was reviewed, discussed and updated as appropriate.

## 83. BETTER WAYS TO SCHOOL

In the absence of C Humphreys, a governor reported that CH had been in touch with United Utilities regarding forthcoming major works in Marton, and has requested that rather than approaching Marton via the most direct route as indicated by the map, the route via Melton should be used. This is a much better road for vehicles and also avoids the school. It is believed that CH is also going to write to Cumbria Highways regarding this topic. CH to report back at the next meeting.

ACTION C HUMPHREYS

## 84. GOVERNOR VISITS - UPDATE

A. Grace accompanied the whole school trip to Bolton Arena, which had been a very successful trip that DGB would like to repeat next year.

P. Bishop has been in to listen to readers and also did a photography session with Class 3, teaching them about composition, lighting etc.; this will lead to a competition in the summer. A governor asked whether the photographs taken by the children could be submitted to the Lindal website for publication, with a few words to accompany each one saying why they had chosen their particular subject; this was agreed.

T. Dalziel visits most Friday lunch times if available for an update with DGB.

## 85. GOVERNOR TRAINING

A Child Protection Training session was held for the staff/governors/playgroup on Monday 6th February 2006. Those governors who attended were A Grace, C Humphreys, P Bishop, A Postlethwaite, M Brown and S Fleming; the Clerk also attended. All governors who attended found the session very informative.

C. Partridge attended the Clerks Briefing session on the 8th February 2006, and reported that this was a very useful session whereby updates across all areas were covered. This was deemed much better than previous single topic sessions.

A. Postlethwaite attended the New Governor training session, and reported that it was quite well done. He is also going to attend the Critical Friend session subject to availability.

The Strategic Role session (notice circulated by the Clerk), had not been attended by anyone due to short notice. CP explained that it had come through the portal, probably as a reminder and had been passed on just in case anyone could attend.

## 86. TEACHING ASSISTANTS REPORT

No formal report for this meeting, but TA's all working well. One TA is currently absent due to

illness.

87. SCHOOLS COUNCIL

The Schools Council has come up with the unique idea of dividing the school into houses/teams, each team having the name of an animal. A discussion ensued - siblings to be in different teams, possibly change teams after a couple of years. DGB informed that they were going to divide the school into teams at the next staff meeting, with a balance of ages, sporting and academic ability across all teams if possible. As previously discussed DGB would be putting the snacks proposal to them.

88. A.O.B.

1. - see Confidential Items
2. A governor enquired whether there was an end of Year 6 Gifted and Talented Music prize. Yes, this had been awarded for several years, having been donated by Mrs. J. Pardoe.

89. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

See addendum.

90. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

MONDAY 15th May, 2006 - 1900hrs at LAMPS.

The meeting closed at 21:20hrs