

CENTRAL SUSSEX COLLEGE

Report of the Burgess Hill & Haywards Heath LCB Meeting – 6th October 2008

Risk Management

- The Health & Safety Report was noted.

Staff Matters

- There were no matters raised.

Student Matters

- The Board considered further the issue of littering and inappropriate behaviour. The recent whole College INSET focussing on promoting positive student behaviour was outlined and the Board noted the on going work being undertaken to address this issue. The cultural changes required were also discussed by the Board and it was recognised that this would take time to embed.

Curriculum, Quality & Standards

- The Board welcomed the revisions to the Link Member Protocol that had been discussed at the previous meeting.
- The Chair confirmed that the Curriculum, Quality & Standards (C, Q & S) Committee had been impressed by the reports received from Members following their link visits and considered that this was a valuable input to the work of the Committee.
- The Board was pleased to note that the C, Q & S Committee had expressed the hope that in time the Link Member Scheme would be extended to Corporation Members.
- The exam results for the Haywards Heath campus were considered in some detail, particularly those subjects where the results had been disappointing. The Board agreed that although some results looked disappointing further analysis would be needed when the value added data becomes available. It was noted that those subjects that had been identified as weak previously had all shown significant improvement.
- Overall the Board was pleased to note the positive picture the exam results represented but appreciated that further work was required if the College was to rise to the challenge of becoming outstanding.
- The Board welcomed the enrolment figures for the Haywards Heath campus. The breakdown of enrolments by school was considered and the Board requested demographic information for a future meeting to explore any potential implications for future enrolments.
- The Board was advised of the impending inspection for the whole College and the work being undertaken to prepare for the inspection.
- It was noted that the information on the curriculum spread at the Haywards Heath campus would be provided at the next meeting of the Board following the census date in mid October.

Community

- An update on the 14-19 Partnership Strategy including the development of the Diplomas was provided to the Board. Concern was expressed about the lack of employer awareness about the Diplomas and their perception nationally.

Strategy

- An update on the building project was provided. The Board was extremely disappointed and concerned that the timescale for the Phase 3 project had been delayed.
- The Board received up update on the Crawley Masterplan and noted the work being undertaken by the Principal and the Chair of Corporation.

Any Other Business

- The Board were pleased to be able to hold their meeting in the new building.