

# THE CORPORATION OF THE COLLEGE OF NORTH EAST LONDON

## SPECIAL CORPORATION MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting held at 6.45pm on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2008 in the Board Room at the Tottenham Centre of the College.

**Present:** Mr K Brown (Chair)  
Mr S. Mehmet  
Cllr. D. Goddard  
Rev. N. Obunge  
Mr P Head (Principal)  
Mr H Patel (Support Staff)  
Ms G. Ortanca (Teaching Staff Governor)  
Ms I Issacs (Student)

**Apologies:** Ms C. Sullivan  
Ms J. Bax  
Ms C. Walsh

**In Attendance:** Mr S. Hyde (Acting Clerk)  
Mr P. Lalgee (Director 14-19)  
Ms D. Stylianou (Director Skills for Life)  
Ms P. Gowan (Director Vocational Skills)

**Apologies:** Mr D. Mathieson (Secretary to the Corporation)

### 1407 Announcements

**The Corporation AGREED that:**

- i) **in the absence of the Secretary to the Corporation, Mr Stewart Hyde acts as Clerk to the meeting.**

### 1408 Appointment of the Vice Principal Curriculum and Learner Experience

The Chair briefly outlined the procedure for this appointment, in particular because of the importance of the role it is designated as a 'Senior Post' and it therefore falls to the Board of the Corporation to approve. The Chair referred members to the report written by the Principal and he also reiterated the conclusions of the interviewing panel in recommending the appointment of Mrs Jane O'Neil. Members asked a number of questions about her background and also asked about her views and ideas on taking teaching forward. The Principal explained how Ms O'Neil's presentation

indicated that she was a strong strategic thinker and demonstrated a very clear vision as to the difference between 'Good' and 'Excellent' teaching levels. The Principal also explained that Ms O'Neil had demonstrated a thorough understanding of the components of the learning and management processes available and in using them. She had great self awareness in seeking views of others and had a good rounded level of management experience. Members asked what the position would be in regard to this post if the Enfield merger was to come about. The Chair clarified this was a permanent position at CoNEL and that any future outcomes of a merger are quite separate issues. Members were supportive of the process of this appointment and respected the views of the panel to appoint Ms J. O'Neil.

The Chair gave a brief synopsis of the reference received from the Consultants and then established from the Corporation whether everyone agreed to the recommendation to appoint Ms Jane O'Neil. The decision was unanimous.

### **Recommendation**

#### **The Corporation AGREED to:**

- i) appoint Ms Jane O'Neil to the post of Vice Principal (Curriculum & Learner Experience) on a commencing salary of £101,000 per annum.**

**Signed:**..... **Date:** 22 May 2008  
**(Chair)**