

## **Kelston and van Asch Deaf Education Centres**

### **Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Combined Board of Trustees held on 22 July, 2016, commencing at 8.30am, van Asch Deaf Education Centre**

- Present:** Rachel Douglas (Chairperson), Bernie Mulcahy-Bouwman, David Foster, David McKee, Rachel Coppage, Krista Clifford, Ratu Ratu, Merran Gwyndell, Meghan Coppage
- Apologies:** Cha'nel Kaa-Luke, Crystal Skinley
- Secretary:** Jill Le Prou
- Interpreters:** Evelyn Pateman & Liz Kay
- In Attendance:** Rose Drummond, Roisin Connolly, Jasmine Kirk, Matthew Koning, Neil Pouwels, Margaret Anderson
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Board members were collected from the airport and given a tour to show where the van Asch Provisions were located followed by a tour of van Asch.

#### **WELCOME**

Rachel D welcomed everyone to the Board meeting today.

This is an extraordinary meeting primarily to discuss the Education Brief that has been put together over the past few months.

We will also be discussing the Curriculum Report as we didn't have time for this discussion to take place at the June Board meeting.

Introductions took place.

## EDUCATION BRIEF

Bernie gave a presentation.

A comment was made to include the staff numbers in the document.

Roisin will include a sentence regarding this.

Roisin gave some background to what it has taken to get the document to this stage.

There is some repetition in the document as it was done section by section.

A very detailed template was given which dictated the sections and how we structured the document. It was strictly designated for us.

In the section Community Connections (Pg 29-30) – seems to be a big push to stay on site in Sumner. How can we soften this? Roisin will reword or add that the Deaf Community are more than happy to look at other sites. This section was the only opportunity to state what is really important to the current site.

This document is the opportunity to state what is current but also what the purpose of the Centre is in the future. Need to lay out a vision of van Asch for the next 30 years.

Up to Page 30 is – what is van Asch now?

From page 31 onwards it is visionary. Where do we think we are going?

Insert a page to link the “this is now” and “visionary” parts.

Would be worthwhile to state numbers of staff as the MoE work on a formula of a certain number of square metres per person, etc. They may need to know this information sooner rather than later if they haven't budgeted enough money. This could come into the “link” section mentioned above.

Page 35 Roisin has suggested to include how we see future development of the Hubs.

Page 45 under “Core School”. There is a number (x4 soundproof rooms). Best to take out the number. Same with the bullet point underneath.

Page 31/32 talks about the deaf space and the concept of that. Needs to be made clearer – connect to Galludet University and provide the link to their website.

Page 55/56 – have provided some descriptions of students and some staff – might be a good place to add numbers or range. Add a column for students and staff.

[Jasmine Kirk left the meeting at 1.00pm]

Page 5 – values – add in a bit more around social/emotional wellbeing. Expectations and ways we are working to address this.

**Timeline:**

If any Board members have anything major to add please email Bernie/Roisin/Jill by Monday 25 July.

Draft changes to Board on Wednesday 27 July

Board responses to Jill/Roisin/Bernie by Friday 29 July

Due for submission to MoE on Monday 1 August.

Perhaps put visual (from whiteboard) in-between history and vision.

Could provide an Executive Summary at the front which includes the visual (whiteboard).

Include that van Asch is one possible future site and we are aware of two others. Include that the Board is open to conversation re site.

<b>Agreed:</b>	Major additions to Bernie/Roisin/Jill	25 July
	Draft Changes to Board	27 July
	Board responses to Bernie/Roisin/Jill	29 July
	Due for submission to MoE	1 August

Final version will be signed off via email.

**CURRICULUM REPORT**

Carried over from previous meeting.

**van Asch**

Bernie spoke to the van Asch report.

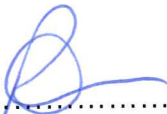
**Kelston**

David F spoke to the Kelston report.

**Agreed:** That the Curriculum Reports for van Asch and Kelston be accepted.

Ratu Ratu/ Bernie Mulcahy-Bouwmann  
**CARRIED**

Meeting finished at: 3.07pm

  
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 Rachel Douglas  
**Chairperson**  
**Board of Trustees**

  
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**Date**