

Waterton Academy Trust

Children's Parliament Minutes

DATE:

 Monday 22nd October 2018

TIME:

1pm

LOCATION:

Ackworth Mill Dam School

PRESENT

Prime Minister:	Emma	South Kirkby Academy
Deputy Prime Minister:	Nicolas	Normanton Common Primary Academy
Chair:	Mr Dickinson	Waterton Academy Trust
	Miss De Beer	Representatives from Ackworth Mill Dam
	Mrs Holloway	Representatives from Crofton Infant School
	Mrs Hayes	Representatives from Cherry Tree Academy
	Mrs Burton	Representatives from South Kirkby Academy
	Mrs Tait and Mrs Reed	Representatives from Normanton Junior Academy
	Mrs Tutt	Representatives from Lee Brigg Infant School
	Miss Ho	Representatives from Normanton common Primary Academy
	Mr Harpham	Representatives from Walton Primary Academy
	Miss Hellawell	Waterton Academy Trust
Clerk:	Mrs Newton	Waterton Academy Trust
Apologies:	Representatives from Wrenthorpe Academy, Sharlston Community School, King's Meadow Academy and West End Academy	

ITEM	ACTION
1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies	
Mr Dickinson welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the year and introductions were made by all. Apologies recorded.	
2. Review of the previous minutes	
The minutes were accepted as an accurate record of the last meeting.	
3. Deputy Prime Minister (DPM)	
<p>Prior to the meeting, the children applying for the role of Deputy Prime Minister, had made a short video explaining why they would be a good DPM. The videos were shown in schools across the Trust and the children had voted for their preferred candidate.</p> <p>The votes had been counted and Mr Dickinson announced the new Deputy Prime Minister, Nicolas from Normanton Common Primary Academy. Nicolas will work alongside the current Prime Minister Emma, in preparation for his role as Prime Minister in 2019/2020.</p>	

4.	Election of Chairperson	
	<p>Year 6 children putting themselves forward for the role of Chair attended the meeting. During the meeting they all had the opportunity to introduce themselves and give a speech about why they should be elected as Chairperson.</p> <p>Following the speeches two representatives from each school, (in attendance), cast their votes. Voting slips and a ballot box was provided to ensure anonymity. Votes were counted during the meeting, which resulted in a tie break.</p> <p>Mr Dickinson proposed that the two candidates share the role of Chair, which was agreed unanimously.</p> <p>The two Chairperson's are; Emily from Normanton Junior Academy and Zara from Normanton Common Primary Academy.</p> <p>ACTION: JS to update the website with the details of the new Senior Leadership Team (SLT).</p>	
5.	Letter from the Prime Minister	
	<p>Mr Dickinson shared the news that the children's parliament, SLT had received a very special letter from Prime Minister, the RT Hon Theresa May, addressed to Grace the former Prime Minister of the children's parliament.</p> <p>In the letter the children were praised for their time and effort in running the elected children's parliament. The Prime Minister stated that she is very supportive of youth parliaments, as they provide many young people with the opportunity to engage and develop interests.</p>	
6.	Budget	
	<p>Mr Dickinson confirmed that the children's parliament budget currently stands at £6000. Mr Dickinson advised MP's, to take this information back to school and discuss ideas of how the money should be spent, something that would benefit all the children.</p> <p>ACTION: Children to bring their ideas to the next meeting.</p>	
7.	Any other business	
	<p><i>Musical evening</i></p> <p>Mr Dickinson reminded everyone that the Wakefield Theatre Royal had been booked for February and that all the song choices for the musical performance should be sent to the Trust as soon as possible.</p> <p>ACTION: Each school to send their song choices to the Trust.</p>	
8.	Date and venue of the next meeting	
	Monday 17 th December – Cherry Tree Academy	

MEETING CLOSED 2.05pm