

SACRE Meeting

1:30pm – 3.00pm, Thursday, 3rd July 2014

The Synagogue, Grimsby

Minutes

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| Present | Leo Solomon (Chair) Margaret Solomon Jill Hetherington Christina Hook | Rosalind Smith Katherine Bruning Debbie Newton Mary Berry (minutes) Frankie Wood (minutes) |
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| Item | Subject | |
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| 1 | Apologies Paul Thompson, Shereen Alankar, Rebecca Deighton, Marcus Czarnecki, Andrew Dodd | |
| 2 | Minutes and matters arising Proposed as a true record: Debbie Newton Seconded: Leo Solomon Judaism resources still not sourced. LS expressed his thanks to MB for work on RE Survey Inter faith forum – Simon Cross had forwarded the notice of the next meeting which has been forwarded to all schools. RE quality mark - no up to date information. JH to pursue. New Age church groups – to be discussed at point 3 on agenda. LS to host twilight visit to synagogue – JH to progress with LS for 8th/9th or 15 th /16th October JH to look at putting on training at the synagogue | JH JH JH |
| 3 | Membership update – NELC representation JH confirmed to members that following the NELC AGM, the 2 NELC reps are Cllr Steve Norton and Cllr Tim Mickleborough. JH asked if SACRE members wanted to include a New Age rep. JH to contact Simon Cross to contact other groups. | JH |
| 4 | Feedback on RE Survey – next steps Feedback was presented through the Better RE event in June. JH asked if SACRE members felt that any action was needed as a result. Q6 on the survey highlighted that training was requested on improving subject knowledge, assessment and progression, monitoring the quality of RE in the classroom and sharing good practice through RE networks. MS reported that she had attended an excellent training session on spirituality / SMSC led by Paul Thompson and a colleague, which could be valuable for NEL schools. JH to follow up. The agenda for first meeting in new year will look at | JH |

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| | action/support on monitoring the teaching of RE. DN proposed looking at subject knowledge next and then assessment at a later meeting. | |
| 5 | <p>Feedback on Better RE event- next steps</p> <p>JH thanked FW for providing the evaluation of the event. There were 37 school based attendees and 50 in total at the event. Feedback was unanimously positive and training was identified as a common priority.</p> <p>KB felt that it had been a fantastic day</p> <p>JH proposed inviting Lat Blaylock back for a follow-on “Even Better RE” event in June 2015. All agreed.. JH to action</p> | JH |
| 6 | <p>Youth SACRE</p> <p>KB had volunteered to be contact point and had emailed Lat; all information received. This would be forwarded to the group. Example of activity: an RE day had been held when children had joined in practical activities. This could go through the inter faith forum and older children used could mentor younger ones.</p> <p>KB, RS and CH to convene a meeting with those schools that have expressed an interest.</p> <p>DN also to look at using skype or similar technology to support communication / similar events.</p> | KB/RS/ CH |
| 7 | <p>Meeting dates for 2014 - 15</p> <p>1.30pm, Weds, 12th November 2014, Littlecoates Primary School</p> <p>10.30am, Thurs, 5th February, venue tbc</p> <p>10.30am, Tues, 9th June, venue tbc</p> | |
| | <p>AOB</p> <p>The NEL Agreed syllabus was published in 2011 and is due to be reviewed and / or revised by the ASC (Syllabus Conference) by early 2016. DN advised that it would need a longer timescale than perhaps anticipated.</p> <p>Initial discussions suggest that there is no need to significantly change the content of the agreed syllabus, but there are areas that need “tweaking” to bring them in line with the new national curriculum and other policy changes. EY and SEN units can now be bought. Assessment needs to be addressed. It will take approximately 10 days’ work to complete the revision and a draft could then be taken back to SACREs for agreement. Hull and ER receive funding from the LA to do this work, which will start in September. NELC is invited to nominate a person to do the work alongside the other Humber LAs. It was felt that it was just a light touch review that was needed.</p> <p>DN advised that it would be possible for the LA to write its own, or buy in someone to write it, both would be OK. The LA can adopt any agreed syllabus.</p> <p>LS to look at implications and bring back to a future meeting. LS and JH to progress.</p> | LS/JH |