

SACRE

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 20th November, 2012 at Western Technology School

Present: Leo Solomon (Chair); Jill Hetherington; Debbie Newton; Margaret Solomon;; Marcus Czarnecki, Paul Thompson; Andrew Dodd; Christina Hook; Rosalind Smith

Item	Subject	Action
1	<p>Apologies Katherine Bruning Shereen Alankar; Councillor John Colebrook; Surinder Kurana, Sarah Pollard, Rebecca Deighton, Steven Durkin JH to report back to Governors Forum for replacement for Rev Durkin</p>	JH
2	<p>Minutes and matters arising Agreed as a true record, LS proposed, MC seconded. Schools had been notified through the RE Co-ordinators Network re information available on SACRE page of NELC website. Meeting had been called to discuss visitors to schools; DN suggested that a letter issued by Serco and a CRB from any area is also sufficient. There were guidelines for faith visitors on the RE syllabus disc. Successful application for funding to maintain DN's role to cover for 3½ days; DN was now employed by Serco to do one day per term; this would cover the SACRE meeting and to run the RE Co-ordinators network following. DN unavailable for next SACRE meeting on 6th March; date changed to 20th March.</p>	
3	<p>RE in practice – a school view Powerpoint presentation (attached). Members of SACRE to take part in review with children. RS to provide date to JH. LS thanked RS for the presentation.</p>	RS
4	<p>RE results at GCSE in NEL schools summer 2012 Documents circulated showing 3 year trend of RE results. Group to look at examples of GCSE papers at a future meeting. PT felt it would be helpful to look at pass rates compared to national averages. AD to ask the question of Oasis as to why RE exams are not taken. DN stated that academies have to follow the agreed syllabus or provide an appropriate alternative. KS4 pupils have to follow a recognised exam syllabus but do not have to take the exam.</p>	DN/CH JH AD

5	<p>RE co-ordinators network update An overview of the number of RE co-ordinator network meetings held. At the February meeting the group had been asked what support was needed. Areas were identified and are being addressed through network meetings. DN felt that assessment needs a half day CPD session – to be discussed for the spring term.</p>	DN/JH
6	<p>SACRE Regional Conference April 2013 DN was working with Hull and East Riding colleagues and thought that an important way forward was to organise a conference. This will be held at Hull University on Friday, 19th April 2013. Speakers to include Lat Blaylock, Alan Brine and John Keast at a cost of £150 per delegate. Booking would be through Hull CC, flyers and booking forms to be sent out shortly. Workshops will be held, the most relevant for SACRE and Governors would be held in the morning. Website www.reinhull.wordpress.com for details. JH to make an application to NELC for possible funding for 2 places.</p>	DN JH
7	<p>Development & Action Plan – monitoring progress Draft agreed at the February meeting and in view of feedback received and further discussion, the document had been revised. Progress noted against each of the 4 objectives. Supporting Schools – 4 areas of progress made; looking at and addressing training needs; materials provided and looked at GCSE results Promoting events – DN delivered SMSC training in September; the February network meeting held at the Islamic Centre; regional SACRE conference in 2013. Developing partnerships – NASACRE subscription renewed; this gave advice and regular newsletters. Appropriate constitution of SACRE – updated NELC website but to be progressed further, revised membership of SACRE and increased representation from schools sector and governors sector; draft annual report produced to be submitted by December 2012. Action: Members to look at plan and feedback any further action points etc. to be included. LS raised the issue of NELC representation on the group. JH to raise issue with Jack Blackmore.</p>	JH All JH
8	<p>Annual Report 2012 – draft Draft report circulated. Any comments feedback to JH. Audience for report are members of SACRE, NASACRE, DfE, Council and schools. NASACRE website, members tab, to find other annual reports.</p>	All

9	<p>Members' updates and events Flyer circulated with information on the RE Quality Mark. DN recommended that all schools should be encouraged to be involved and SACRE should support. Website for more information is www.reqm.org Any questions bring back to next meeting or contact DN. Action: To be an agenda item at next meeting. Action: Flyer to be sent with minutes.</p>	<p>MB MB</p>
10	<p>Any Other Business RE in Action; in this area there are 2 events per year for pupil participation. Communities Together are hosting an event at the Memorial Hall, looking at Indian independence and Australia Day on 26th January. Inter-faith event at Oasis Wintringham 21st November. Holocaust Memorial Day, 27th January.</p>	
	<p>Date of next meeting 2pm on Wednesday, 20th March in the Western Conference Room.</p>	