

## HASG Annual General Meeting

### Chair's Report 2019

The past year has been a busy one for HASG executives and I would like to thank them for all the hard work they have put in for the benefit of Hertfordshire Governors.

Our Executive has met six times during the year, as usual, and, additionally there has been a Working Group to look after the Governors Awards and another Group looking at Recruitment.

Members of the executive have also been significantly involved in conference planning; not least because we are funding a substantial part of the costs.

The executive has been small but active. However, we have been actively recruiting new members and I would like to thank the new members of the executive for the enthusiasm and work they have done.

### Representation

The Executive Officers have continued to meet regularly with Andrew De Csillery, Managing Director of Herts for Learning, and Simon Newland, Operations Director, Education. Each of these meetings was to represent the interests of Governors and to discuss key topics of interest.

It was good to welcome Andrew to one of our executive meetings during the year. We will continue to lobby both HCC and HFL to include all Governors on all panels involving school matters.

The Executive was involved with the election of Governor members to the Schools Forum and HCC pensions Group.

### Forums and Briefings

We have been funding the additional twilight session of the termly Headteachers Briefings, open for Governors. HCC have provided the same briefing papers that they share with Headteachers during the daytime briefings. Meetings are held at Beales Hotel in Hatfield or Robertson House in Stevenage.

### Governor Awards

We have run a Governor Awards programme, now in its 6th year, to recognise excellence in Governance. We are continuing this year with our award winners receiving £1000 for their schools and runners up being awarded £250. The quality of nominees is very high indeed and we hope to continue the Awards next year. We feel this is a very important role for the HASG.

### Governor's Conference

Executive members have worked with HfL staff to plan the conference e.g. choosing speakers and topics that are appropriate to the themes of the conference. We are thus able to bring the Herts Governor view to the table.

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### **Acknowledgements**

We all owe a huge debt of thanks to the voluntary and unpaid members of HASG Executive and to our Administrator, Claire Lanni, for the continued hard work and dedication to the Association, to Governors and to the education of all children/students in Hertfordshire. They are pivotal to the current and ongoing success of HASG

Michael Taylor,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M Taylor", is positioned below the name "Michael Taylor".

Chair, Hertfordshire Association of School Governors 2018/19