

Minutes of a Trust Board meeting held on Thursday 11th December 2025 at 10am at Bridge Schools Trust, 21 Callywith Gate, Bodmin

Present		In attendance		Apologies/Absent	
Maria Ashurst (Chair of Trustees)	MA	Matthew Symonds (Chief Financial Officer)	MS	Judith Goodchild	JG
Adrian Massey (Chief Executive)	AM	Julia Stoneman (Clerk to the Board)	Clerk	Sally Crabb	SC
Nick Hart	NH	Misty Nickells (Griffin Chartered Accountants)	MN		
Louise Stevenson	LS				
Jane McFall (Vice Chair of Trustees)	JM				

Acronyms:

ARB – Area Resource Base
CIF- Condition Improvement Fund
CIC – Children in Care
FSM – Free School Meals

GAG – General Annual Grant
LGH – Local Governor Hub
ND - Neurodiversity
TDP – Trust Development Plan
YTD – Year to Date

		Action
1. Welcome and apologies for absence	Apologies were received and accepted from JG and SC.	
2. Declaration of interests	The register of interests had been circulated and there were no changes.	
3. Minutes of the last meeting	The minutes of the meeting held on 13 th November were taken as a true and accurate record of proceedings.	
4. Any matters arising	The revised complaints procedure will be brought to the spring term meeting.	1 AM MA
5. Presentation of accounts	Trustees confirmed that they had received the final accounts year ended 31 st August and the management letter. MN went through this and highlighted the main points. <i>See appendix.</i>	
6. CE Report	Trustees confirmed that they had received the CE Report, Safeguarding Report, Risk Analysis, Statutory Data, Summary of Changes to the Ofsted Framework and DfE Meeting Notes. <i>See appendix.</i>	
7. HR update and proposals	Trustees confirmed that they had received the HR documents and these were discussed. <i>See appendix.</i>	
8. Committee minutes and matters brought forward from these	Trustees confirmed that they had received the minutes from the recent Audit and Risk, Education and Standards and LGH Chairs' meeting.	
9. Policies	Trustees confirmed that they had received the reviewed Health and Safety Policy and SEND Policy. These were approved.	

In order to evidence that trustees are providing challenge to the leaders these questions are highlighted in the minutes

The meeting was closed at 12.35pm