Minutes of EBED Board Trustees meeting held at 1330 on 23rd June at The Mind Sports Centre, 21 Dalling Road, London W6 0DG

Present:

Ian Sidgwick (Chair) Abbey Smith Tony Cherrett William Bourne

As all current Board members were present, the Board agreed to waive the normal notice for a Board meeting and hold an immediate meeting in order to formalise a number of appointments and resignations.

Board resignations and appointments

The Board noted the resignations of the entire Board of Trustees on 22nd March, which was reported as an incident to the Charities Commission, and the subsequent appointments of Ian Sidgwick, Abbey Smith and Paul Gibbons as Trustees of EBED on 25th March. Tony Cherrett was appointed as a Trustee on 7th May and William Bourne on 25th May. Ian Sidgwick was appointed to be Chair and William Bourne was appointed Treasurer. Paul Gibbons resigned his temporary role as Treasurer on 25th May.

The Board suggested that 6 Trustees is an appropriate number and is actively searching to appoint two more. It noted that the maximum is 9.

Executive resignation and appointments

The Board also noted with regret the resignation of Mark Humphris as Chief Executive. An advertisement has been placed to replace him and two good candidates have already been identified. Interviews will take place on 5th and 8th July.

A contract has been made with Charlie Bucknell to act as the Charity's Youth Coordinator for a year and he commenced his duties in June 2024.

Update on other matters

The Board is meeting today to discuss its strategy going forward in the light of the significant bequest received. Once this is complete, it will be a significant input into a revised reserves policy.

Finally, the Board noted that Lisa Miller has completed 40 years of service for EBED and its predecessors. They agreed to sign a card to thank her.

The meeting closed at 1335.