

**774 Minutes 774 of the Education and Employment Committee Meeting at the Education Learning Centre held on Wednesday, 21 October 2020 at 0900hrs.**

**Present:** Hon. Miss Christine Scipio Deputy Chairperson  
Hon. Dr Corinda Essex Member  
Hon Lawson Henry Member  
Mrs Wendy Benjamin Director of Education & Employment  
Mrs Angela Benjamin Assistant Director Life Long Learning  
Miss Kerry Lawrence Assistant Director Schools  
Miss Santana Fowler Secretary

**Invited** Mr Kesh Naidoo Maths Advisory Teacher, PAS for Item 74.5  
Mr Duncan Cooke Chair, Labour Regulating Authority, for Item 74.8  
Mr Allen Cansick Attorney General for Item 74.8  
Mrs Joanne Jonas Finance Officer for Item 74.9

**Apologies:** Hon. Clint Beard Chairperson  
Hon. Brian Isaac Member (Overseas)

**74.1 WELCOME**

The Deputy Chairperson welcomed all present to the meeting; a special welcome was extended to Mr Kesh Naidoo for Item 74.5

**74.2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

The Deputy Chairperson and Assistant Director Schools all declared personal interest as their children are currently enrolled in the education system. This will be noted for subsequent meetings.

**74.3 CONFIRMATION AND SIGNING OF MINUTES**

The minutes were confirmed as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Deputy Chairperson. There were no matters arising from the meeting.

**74.4 SELF-ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST**

This document was circulated prior to the meeting.

The Self-Assessment checklist was discussed and completed; to be circulated to Members.

ACTION: Secretary

**74.5 INTRODUCTION TO MATHS ADVISORY TEACHER**

The Director introduced Mr Kesh Naidoo to the Committee.

Mr Naidoo gave a brief overview of his origins, professional background including his career path and where he has worked and travelled. Various recommendations and suggestions were made in relation to what he could offer Prince Andrew School, his interests and why he chose to work on St Helena. Mr Naidoo expressed his thanks to Members for allowing him to give his presentation.

A Member stated that they felt that Mr Naidoo's proposed recommendations would promote continuity in the Maths curriculum.

The Deputy Chairperson thanked Mr Naidoo for attending; and invited him to provide a further update to the Committee in February 2021.

Mr Naidoo left the meeting.

#### **74.6 Lifelong Learning Annual Report**

Documents were circulated prior to the meeting.

The Committee noted that despite COVID-19, the Directorate continues to strive to increase the academic and vocational learning opportunities for up-skilling the island's workforce. It was suggested that a different approach should be undertaken to promote courses to give a better understanding to the public of its benefits. Additional information in regards to the numbers of course completed in comparison with registration, was requested; ADLL to circulate this information to Members.

ACTION: ADLL

#### **74.13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Education and Employment Committee will be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> of November 2020 commencing at 0900 hours at the ELC Hall.

There being no further items to discuss the meeting closed at 1105 hrs

Hon. Clint Beard

**Chairperson**

**Education and Employment Committee**

Date: