



BECCLES FREE SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Carer

Local Advisory Body (LAB) Parent Member Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy on our LAB for a parent / carer member. The Seckford Foundation Free Schools Trust has Local Advisory Bodies for all its schools. The Local Advisory Body for Beccles Free School has two parents/carers, the Headteacher, a trustee with special interest in the school and a Local Authority representative. In addition, other members are nominated from a variety of fields and walks of life to bring their experience and skills to the school.

A full list of all current members of our Local Advisory Body can be found on our website at www.becclesfreeschool.org.uk.

Parent members of the Local Advisory Body have to be a parent/carers of a student at the school at the time they are elected. An election is required if the number of applicants is greater than the number of vacancies. The role of the LAB is to monitor and support the school particularly with community and local stakeholder engagement.

The LAB meet each half term after school and have a day visiting the school each year.

If you are interested in joining the LAB please complete the attached Nomination Form and return it to the school office by 4pm on the 20 November. Please note that in order to be nominated you will require 4 parents / carers to support your nomination. In the event that we have more nominations than vacancies an election will then be held.

If you have any queries please contact Mr Youngman for further information.

Yours faithfully,

Mr N Youngman
Headteacher



Beccles Free School

Local Advisory Body (LAB)

Election of Parent LAB Members - Nomination Form (*return by **20 November 2017***)

Full Name:

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Address:.....

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I have a child at the school, am willing to serve if elected, and have been proposed for consideration for appointment as a LAB member at the school by the four undersigned persons, who also have children at the school. A statement for inclusion in the voting paper is given below.

Proposers:

Name and Address of Proposers	Signature of Proposers / Date

STATEMENT

(not more than 50 words)

I confirm that I am not disqualified from appointment for any of the reasons **detailed overleaf**.

Signed Dated

School LAB members – disqualifications from election as LAB member:

A LAB member must be aged 18 or over at the time of their election or appointment. This does not apply to an associate member.

A person is disqualified from being a LAB member or associate member if the following apply:

- cannot hold more than one LAB membership at the same school;
- is detained under the Mental Health Act 1983;
- has failed to attend the LAB meetings for a continuous period of six months, beginning with the date of the first meeting they failed to attend, without the consent of the LAB. This provision does not apply to the Headteacher;
- a foundation (other than ex-officio), LA, community, partnership or sponsor LAB member who has been disqualified for failing to attend LAB meetings may not be nominated for election or appointed as a LAB member of any category at that school until 12 months has elapsed;
- his / her estate has been sequestrated and the sequestration has not been discharged, annulled or reduced or he / she is the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or an interim order;
- is subject to a disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986, a disqualification order under part 2 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1989, a disqualification undertaking accepted under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002 or to an order made under section 429 (2) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under county court administration order);
- has been removed from the office of charity trustee for a charity by an order made by the Charity Commissioners or High Court on the grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement, or under section 7 of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1990 from being concerned in the management or control of anybody;
- is included in the list kept under section 1 of the Protection of Children Act 1999(b) (list of those considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children);
- is disqualified from working with children under sections 28 and 29 or 29A of the Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000;
- is disqualified from registration under Part 10 A of the Children Act 1989(d) for child minding or providing day care; or
- disqualified from registration under Part 3 of the Childcare Act 2006(e);
- has been sentenced to 3 months or more in prison (whether suspended or not and without the option of a fine) within the last 5 years before becoming a LAB member or since becoming a LAB member (whether in the UK or elsewhere);
- has received a prison sentence of 2½ years or more within the last 20 years before becoming a LAB member;
- has at any time received a prison sentence of 5 years or more;
- has been convicted and fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on education premises during the 5 years prior to or since appointment or election as a LAB member;
- has a conviction for an offence given by a court outside the UK, which would not have constituted an offence in the UK must be disregarded;
- he / she refuses a request by the Headteacher to make an application for a DBS certificate.