

# REGIONAL BOARD REPORT

<b>Subject:</b> Committee Membership and Chairmanship	<b>Purpose:</b> <b>For Approval</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>For Discussion</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>For Information</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
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<b>Purpose:</b> For members to consider and approve the undernoted appointments to Board Committees and consider Chair appointments.	
<b>Linked to Strategic Goal 3: Provide a high quality College experience.</b>	
<b>Executive Summary:</b>  <u>Curriculum &amp; Quality Committee</u> Ian Ireland, who was Chair of the Curriculum and Quality Committee, has reached the end of his term as a Board member and has retired from the Board. His departure means that the Curriculum & Quality Committee now requires a new Board member to replace him and for one member to be appointed as Chair of the Committee. The Committee has noted its grateful thanks to Ian for all his hard work on this Committee.  The Committee currently has 7 members (minimum of 5 required) but it is felt important to maintain the current numbers given the importance of this Committee and the need to ensure the existence of a quorum at meetings when some members may be absent.  It is therefore recommended that the Board in the first place appoints a new member to the Committee. It is proposed that one of our new members, Dr. Nuala Broderick join this committee. As noted in the December Board paper on new member recruitment Nuala would meet the Board's requirement for an external member with experience of FE and the curriculum and of related quality systems.  In addition the question of appointment of a Chair requires to be decided by the Board. No current member of the Committee has put him/herself up for appointment as Chair  The Chair may be appointed from one of the existing members of the Committee or indeed from other members of the Board including those who have just joined the Board. The Board may also wish to consider appointing an interim Chair to allow a newly elected member of the Committee to gain experience of the Committee prior to assuming the Chair.  Dave Black, the new Academic Staff Board member, has automatically become a member of this Committee.  The Board should also note that Ian Ireland will continue with his roles as a Trustee and Secretary of the Borders Further Education Trust.  <u>Audit Committee</u> It has previously been noted that Steven Ker, who was the Chair of the Audit Committee, has resigned from the Board. Steven was a qualified Accountant. One	

of our recently appointed Board members Paul Scrimger is a qualified accountant and he has to date attended the last meeting of the Board's Audit Committee.

It is proposed that Paul now be formally appointed by the Board as a member of the Audit Committee and that he in addition, in view of his financial experience, be appointed in due course as Chair of the Audit Committee. Pending such appointment it is proposed that Bryan McGrath be appointed as interim Chair of the Audit Committee. Arrangements will be made for Paul's induction to include a detailed review of the College's financial position and status and that he complete the necessary on line audit training module.

Finance & General Purposes Committee

It is proposed that the membership of this Committee be strengthened by the appointment of one of our new members Jess McBeath who has considerable business experience.

**Recommendation:** That the Board consider and approve the above mentioned Committee appointments and deal with Chair appointments.

**Previous Committee Approvals: N/A**

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Not for publication ☐