

3. Update on Chair recruitment

RS explained that the CHS Alliance received a total of five applications for this position. Two were not shortlisted and three were interviewed. The Committee was composed of RS, JB, SM, AC and YG. While no decision has been taken yet by the Committee it seems that we may need more time and maybe more applications, so the Committee is not recommending any candidate for the elections in March.

RS reminded that he will take on the Chair role *ad interim* until May 2021 which leaves some time.

suggestions from Board members are the following:

- share with full Board names of those approached
- Board to take the responsibility to approach potential candidates rather than the ED
- be clearer on the ideal background of a CHS Alliance Chair

The discussion on going through a recruitment firm made clear that there would be some advantage (neutrality, defining the profile), but not for the whole process and not for interviewing.

Action:

- ♦ RS and TW to rethink the approach and come back to the Board with suggestions on the way forward.

4. next steps (no paper)

Reminder: the voting period – online vote – will be from 22-26 March 2021 and announcement of results on Friday 26 March. *Note: the dates for the announcement of results has been revised after the meeting and the webinar will take place on Monday 29 March afternoon.*

To promote candidates, there will be no video this year, but pictures will be displayed on the CHS Alliance dedicated webpage and the Secretariat is organizing informal “coffee with...” sessions for members to meet the candidates.

5. AOB

SM thanked everyone for their attendance.

End of the meeting



Robert Sweatman, interim Chair of the Board



Matthew Carter, member of the Board


Hélène Maille, minutes' taker