

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
THURSDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2005**

Councillors Stonhold (Chair), Bradley (Deputy Chair), Aitken and Griffith

Apologies Councillor Haley

Also Present: Councillor (none)

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
SACRE01.	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (IF ANY)</p> <p>Apologies were received from Mrs Berkery-Smith, Ms Karuna Gita, Ms Naina Parmar, Ms Aurelie Bivigou. Mr Paul Dighton was represented at this meeting by Mr Tony Hall.</p> <p>Members were advised of the new Bhuddist Member, Ms Karuna Gita, who was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Mr Haylock of the Salvation Army had resigned since the last meeting and a replacement had been sought.</p> <p>Denise Chaplin, the RE Advisor to SACRE was recovering from an operation so it was therefore agreed to defer items 8, 10 and 15 to the next meeting. Members noted that items 11 and 14 were also information items and they were asked to consider these for the next meeting on 23rd March 2006</p>	
SACRE02.	<p>URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>The Chair advised members that the Faith Directory had been launched on 14th December and was now live on the website. However, following the oil fire at Hemel Hempstead the previous weekend, which was in close proximity to Northgate (Haringey's IT Support Company) there had been some disruptions to the internet service. Members were encouraged to feed back any comments to Leon Joseph.</p> <p>The Clerk to SACRE advised members that all SACRE reports and agenda were now loaded onto Haringey's website, back to 2002.</p> <p>Members had been circulated a letter from NASACRE about the Young Inter-faiths project and were invited to bid by 7 April 2006.</p>	
SACRE03.	MINUTES	

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	<p>The minutes of the meeting on 29 September 2005 were agreed and signed by the Chair.</p>	
SACRE04.	<p>UPDATE ON THE HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY EVENTS</p> <p>Members were advised that as part of the Holocaust Memorial events a showing of 'Hotel Rwanda' would be screened at Cineworld, Wood Green. It was hoped that the actress who featured in the film and Holocaust survivors would also be at the screening to answer questions from secondary school students. There would also be an exhibit of 'I never saw another butterfly'. Members noted that there were links from both the SACRE and RE Teachers' websites to the Rwanda Genocide.</p>	
SACRE05.	<p>DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT 2005</p> <p>The report was agreed with a few minor amendments. These would be finalised by the Clerk and the report submitted to QCA by the end of term. Members commented and praised the Chair's letter as they felt it encompassed the key points of the report. It was suggested that individual schools' results could be detailed for GCSE and A levels next year.</p>	
SACRE06.	<p>SACRES AND SELF EVALUATION - A GUIDE FROM OFSTED</p> <p>The report was agreed with a few minor amendments.</p>	
SACRE07.	<p>HARINGEY AGREED SYLLABUS SURVEY</p> <p>Feedback and analysis to be deferred to the next meeting.</p>	
SACRE08.	<p>PROPOSALS FOR A NATIONAL RE STRATEGY</p> <p>Mr Ibrahim of the Muslim Educational Trust introduced this item and advised members that the Draft Strategy was currently with the DfES, awaiting feedback from stakeholders. Members agreed that the report was well-written and thought provoking with a strong message about social cohesion and addressed recurrent issues. Members were advised that HMI Inspectors were no longer just inspecting RE; so their resources would become stretched. However, RE would soon be subject to national inspection and members felt that it would be useful to have models and examples of good</p>	

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SACRE09.	<p>DEVELOPING AND INDUCTION PROCESS FOR NEW SACRE MEMBERS</p> <p>An induction pack for new members had been agreed; comprising the Booklet 'So You're Joining your Local SACRE'; the Non-Statutory National Framework and the Agreed Syllabus (available on CD-ROM).</p>	
SACRE10.	<p>PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SUBJECT REPORTS</p> <p>Members were asked to consider this report for the next meeting.</p>	
SACRE11.	<p>FEEDBACK ON THE PCFRE CONFERENCE AND NASACRE CONFERENCE FROM THE CHAIR OF SACRE</p> <p>Chair's comments were tabled for members.</p>	
SACRE12.	<p>MUSLIM BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned to give members the opportunity to consider these resources which were on display at the meeting.</p> <p>The Education Advisor to SACRE advised member that these books had been vetted by the Muslim Council. They aimed to counter misconceptions and 'Islam-phobia' and widen the knowledge of other faiths. Officers had recommended that schools purchase their own copies of these books and that a set be available in the school library service. Members suggested that a list of the books be placed on the web site with a 'Frequently Asked Questions' page. The books were targeted at key stage 2 (7-11 year olds) and possibly 11-12 year olds.</p>	
SACRE13.	<p>OFSTED RACE EQUALITY PAPER</p> <p>Members were asked to consider this report for the next meeting.</p>	
SACRE14.	<p>INFORMATION EXCHANGE BETWEEN SACRES</p> <p>Item deferred to the next meeting</p>	
SACRE15.	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>23 March 2006:</p>	

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Chair