



# JOIN THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS AT TEC PARTNERSHIP

- Are you passionate about education and training?
- Are you looking for a volunteering opportunity where you can use your professional or personal experiences to change the lives of others?
- Do you have a background in either business, finance, audit, risk, technology, governance, further or higher education?

# WELCOME TO TEC PARTNERSHIP

We are proud to be one of England's largest providers of further and higher education delivering high quality education and training to over 20,000 learners. The TEC Partnership has recently been rated 'GOOD' by OFSTED and has Foundation Degree awarding powers. Supporting our learners to achieve their goals and ambitions, to realise their full potential and to access appropriate career and employment opportunities is what we continually strive for.

With a rich history of developing innovative training and education solutions for the community, the Partnership comprises of the Grimsby Institute, University Centre Grimsby, Scarborough TEC, East Riding College, Skegness TEC, Modal Training, National Employer Training (NET), The Academy Grimsby, which offers an alternative educational route for 14-16-year-olds, and Career 6, the next generation of sixth form focusing on career paths.

We are a multi-award-winning organisation, having recently being awarded the prestigious Queen's Anniversary Prize for its innovative use of digital technology for education, work and life. We have also won numerous Beacon and technology awards over the last five years and are at the national forefront of digital technology.

## OUR GOVERNING BODY

The role of the governing body includes collective oversight of the Partnership's activities and for setting and reviewing its strategy and mission. Corporation members are comparable with the non-executive members of a public company but instead of being accountable to shareholders, they are accountable for public funds.

The Board lives the values of the Partnership, bringing together its collective skills and expertise to support the Executive Leadership team to meet the agreed aims and objectives of the Partnership.

## OUR BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Our Board is a mix of staff, learners and independent governors. Our existing governors come from an array of backgrounds, bringing a variety of life and professional skills and experiences to the role. As a team, our governors share a passion for education and commitment to the Partnership's mission, values and work.

**“The goal of any FE & HE provider worth their salt must be to prepare the next generation for the opportunities of tomorrow. The role of Governors is to make sure the ship is always pointing in the right direction to allow that to happen.”**

*Current Governor*



**“Our future prosperity belongs with the next generation of leaders and innovators and the key driver for them will be the availability of accessible quality learning and training. This is where the College sector plays a crucial role and being a governor of the major east coast training provider, 20,000 plus learners across Higher and Further Education, is our chance to help support and shape positive futures.”**

*Current Governor*

# JOIN THE BOARD AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE

We are currently looking for new governors to join the Corporation Board. We are seeking experienced individuals, looking for an opportunity to use and develop their professional skills in a board-level environment.

Being a governor is a hugely rewarding leadership role. Governors can make a real difference and give something back to the local community.

## SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE WE ARE LOOKING FOR

We hope that our new governors will have experience of one, or more, of the following areas:

- Business
- Finance
- Education
- FE Sector
- Governance
- Audit and Risk
- Technology
- Estates Management
- Local Community
- HE Sector
- Health and Social Care

The Board conducts regular Board skills and experience audits.

The Clerk to the Board will advise potential candidates if the Board are currently searching for governors with particular skills or experience.

The Board is mindful that a successful board has an appropriate mix of governors with diverse skills, experience and backgrounds. The Board is looking for people who are enthusiastic about education and good governance and who will widen the Board's perspective.

The Board also values the diversity of our learners and staff, who come from a variety of ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds. The Board is determined to reflect this diversity amongst its Governing Body and encourages people from a range of backgrounds and experiences to apply. An open and transparent recruitment process is in place, with roles advertised and appointments made openly and on merit.



## THE FULL DETAILS

The Corporation Board meets on average, five times a year and each member also serves on one, or more, of the corporation's committees (subject to field of expertise). The committees meet at least once a term. Most meetings are held in College, some activities and meetings are held on Teams. Governors are also encouraged to find out more about Partnership life through learning walks and attending Partnership events.

We recognise that governors will join the Partnership with varying skills, knowledge and experience and we provide induction and ongoing training and support.

Whilst this is a voluntary role, expenses related to travel and caring responsibilities will be reimbursed in line with Partnership policies.

Please contact us if you don't feel you have the time to join the Board but would be interested in being co-opted to one of our committees. Co-option can provide an excellent introduction to voluntary governance roles.

# THE NEXT STEPS

## Many thanks for your interest in volunteering as a governor at TEC Partnership.

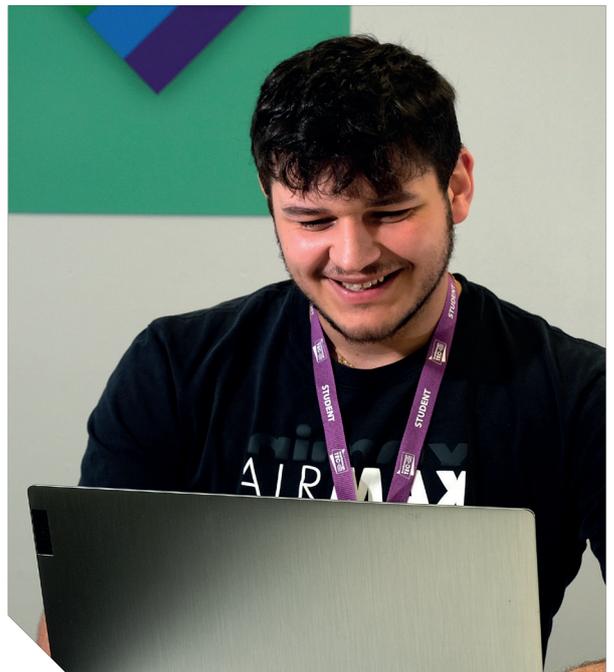
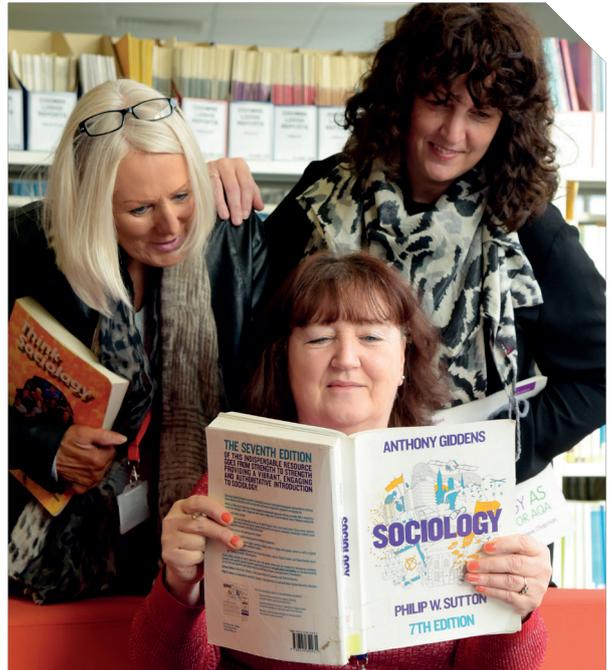
At TEC Partnership we put the learner experience at the heart of everything we do. Our staff are committed to the delivery of high-quality teaching and communication, and our Board members oversee and share such commitment.

We are on an upward trajectory, having been accredited as "Good" in our last Ofsted inspection, with an ambitious but realistic goal to reach "Outstanding". Internally, since that last inspection we have achieved further, measurable progress, and we are continuing to push forward. The Partnership benefits from an experienced and settled leadership team and motivated staff at every level. However, our progress to date does not make us complacent; there is still much to be achieved.

We are currently searching for new governors. We hope you will consider joining us on the Board. We very much welcome applications from the local community. The Board knows that having a diverse Board, including governors with different backgrounds, life experience and approaches, will benefit its decision making.



**Paul Barker**  
Chair to the Corporation



If you require any further information, or would like to speak with me about the role, please email [prauda@TECpartnership.ac.uk](mailto:prauda@TECpartnership.ac.uk) or call 01472 311291. We look forward to hearing from you.