

GMB Emergency meeting 6pm

2nd June 2025

Attendees: Trish Ennis Branch Secretary, Joan Nash, Blanka Vuolo, Ron Stowell, Dr Mo Hashi, Stuart Fegan, Alex Etches

TE informed those who were present of the confusion within the branch pertaining CG not including the Branch Secretary into email and just sending it to Alex Etches and BV. BV does not work on Tuesdays in the GMB office and AE informed the meeting that he does not always read his emails when he is copied in. 121 ones were scheduled in by Evelyn Grace Academy for the 3rd June.

TE also mentioned that on the school's meeting about closures of Lambeth school online the 21st May 2025 AE was in attendance, BV, CG, TE attended in the beginning but dropped off after 30 minutes. BV raised in the meeting that CG informed those on the platform should report to HJ if they have concerns. TE stated that there is a structure in the branch and HJ was not elected to conduct any roles in the branch, SF stated that it is voluntary however, MH said this must be done through the branch. TE said that can be deemed as undermining the Branch Secretary and the Convenors because we were not informed of this in advance. SF asked AE to have a quiet word with CG about this because of the sensitivity.

AE informed the meeting that it missed that in the meeting BV stated that was mentioned in another online school's meeting.

AE led on the Joint Side Secretary because he attended the meeting with Unison and he did not agree to anything due to, GMB branch secretary was not in the meeting neither was Unite branch secretary or Officer. However, Unison were all in attendance TE read out the email from Raymond Prince who stated that RJ was the facilitator and only let them into the meeting room and TE interjected and said that in the CCF on the 29th May Unite informed RJ that she will be taking RJ to CAC and also AT from Unison said that the issue with Trade Unions is resolved AE said no it isn't

SF informed those in the meeting that RJ he was hired by someone extremely high up in the Council and on LinkedIn he only stays in a place for no more than 2 years. He not here to be liked and he would not be bothered by what SM from Unite said because he is here to do a job.

AE mentioned a 6-month rota of branch secretary doing the role, so that Unison does not dominate the role SF nominated TE and TE said her loyalties is for the GMB and not for any other Union. 21 hours facility time for Joint Side Secretary up for grabs, SF said that GMB are more in alignment with Unite and we should have a meeting with them. SF said that major restructures are coming, and Management wants a Joint Side Secretary in place before that process starts.

TE said that she will be going on annual leave from 5th June 2025 until 30th June 2025 so can we hold off before any decision is made. SF said that he as to give Management something initially. Those in the meeting said that we should wait until TE is back in work to arrange a meeting with Unite.