

Glasgow Kelvin College
Board of Management Meeting of 11 June 2025
Chair's Update Report

1. Introduction

The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of recent developments which are of particular interest to them and to provide an outline of the activities undertaken by the Chair since the March 2025 Board meeting.

2. Dissolution of GCRB

At a meeting of GCRB held on 31 March and a subsequent meeting of Glasgow Chairs & Principals, Chair of GCRB and the Interim COO of GCRB held on 19 May information was provided that the dissolution of GCRB was progressing well. The Scottish Statutory Instrument has been laid before parliament, and it is expected that GCRB will be completely wound up approximately 3 months after dissolution.

The interim COO of GCRB indicated that GCRB were likely to have sufficient funds to pay salaries and pension costs although the latter was dependent on confirmation from Strathclyde Pension Fund. Concern was therefore expressed at the proposal to top slice £500K from the funding to Glasgow Colleges to cover costs of dissolution.

Members will be aware that the Scottish Government have advertised the positions of Chairs of the 3 Glasgow Colleges with a view to new Chairs being in post by 1 August.

3. Glasgow Leadership Group

The Glasgow Leadership Group met on 9th April and a link to the minutes of the meeting is available [here](#)

Key points from the minutes are as follows:

- It was agreed that the Chair of the GLG would rotate around the Chairs of the 3 Colleges in Glasgow on an annual basis rather than on a meeting by meeting basis.
- It was agreed that the SFC would be provided with minutes of meetings of the GLG as they require to have oversight of the work of the group. There would also be an open invitation to SFC to attend meetings of the group.
- It was agreed that the Chair would write to SFC regarding the proposal to top slice £500K from the funding for Glasgow Colleges to cover the dissolution of GCRB.

Note: no response to the letter has been received from SFC and the Minister confirmed at a meeting of the Education, Children and Young People Committee on 28 May that the top slicing would take place and any residual funds would be distributed to the three colleges in November.

4. Key Activities

- GCRB meeting 31 March
- College Chairs' Meetings 22 April, 29 April, 20 May
- Colleges Scotland Parliamentary Reception 29 April
- Meetings with Politicians:
 - Bob Doris MSP
 - Ivan McKee MSP
 - Pam Duncan-Glancy MSP
 - John Mason MSP
 - Maureen Burke MP
- Board Members 1-1 meetings
- New members Board Inductions
- University of Strathclyde Annual Dinner
- Herald Awards Dinner

5. Resource Implications

There are no additional resource implications as a consequence of this report.

6. Equalities

No adverse impacts on individuals with protected characteristics have been identified as a consequence of this report.

7. Risk and Assurance

There are no new risks arising from the contents of this report.

8. Impact on Students

There are no impact to students from the content of this report.

9. Data Protection

No data protection issues are identified arising from this report.

10. Recommendation

Members are recommended to note the contents of this report.

11. Further Information

Members can obtain further information on the contents of this report from, from Ian Patrick, Chair of the Board of Management.