**Name:**Dante Micheaux.

**Governor Type:**Co-opted**.  
Personal background/experience:**17 years of working in higher education and with students in various capacities—admissions counsellor, lecturer and tutor; and more than a decade of experience working with diverse charities. I also have extensive experience working with boards of directors and committees, advising executive directors and general managers. I am well-versed in the creation, execution and interpretation of memoranda and articles, constitutions and standing orders.  
**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:**Education; governance; human resources; literacy; and strategic planning.

**Governor Committee membership & role:**Chair of Board of Governors; Chair of Human Resources subcommittee.

**Personal interests/hobbies:** Spending time with friends and family, travelling and dining out.

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**Name:** Sean Kennedy.

**Governor Type:**  Parent.

**Personal background/experience:**Barrister, company director and former proprietor of a large independent special school.

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body**:  I specialise in employment matters and special educational needs and disability.

**Governor Committee membership & role:** Member of the HR committee.

**Personal interests/hobbies:** Research methods**,** reading and Trustee of a church charity.

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**Name:**  Richard Skyers.  
**Governor Type:** Vice Principal.

**Personal background/experience:**Education.

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:** Education Sector (both academic and pastoral related issues).

**Governor Committee membership & role:** Students Progress, Finance, Strategy & Resource Committee.

**Personal interests/hobbies:** Finance, Human Resources**.**

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**Name:**  Amanda Marquis.  
**Governor Type:** Staff Governor.

**Personal background/experience:** I have lived and worked in Newham my whole life and so familiar with the community life and borough wide changes that have occurred throughout the years. My knowledge of the education system stems from being a mother of 3 and working within education for the last 13 years, undertaking various support staff role.

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:** I have knowledge of the school curriculum and the assessment, aims and objectives required in delivering this. As a newly qualified school Business Manager I am familiar with school policies and procedures, stakeholder relationships and the importance of maintaining these. I am CMI qualified as a middle leader, management and Leadership, with the plan of progressing on to the next level.  I have over 7 years’ experience working as an ‘Exams and Assessment Officer ‘within a secondary school in addition to voluntary mentoring young people throughout my time working in education. In 2015 whilst on Secondment working as a ‘Student Services Manager’ providing pastoral care for a community of students, I was nominated and won a Jack Petchey award for ‘Outstanding Leadership for work with young people’,   the opportunity to make a change in Students lives recognised.  I believe every child should be treated as an individual and as staff governor I intend to support with the vision of Eastlea being ‘recognised as an outstanding school that provides a safe, stimulating, creative and dynamic learning environment that strives for excellence and values achievement’.

**Governor Committee membership & role:** Non allocated as of yet.

**Personal interests/hobbies:** I like to spend time with my family, travelling, reading and being creative**.**

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**Name:**  Tina Woodhouse.  
**Governor Type:** Co-opted Governor.

**Personal background/experience:** Private, Public and Education sectors.

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:** 10 years educational and financial strategic planning experience at SLT level, 8 years Local Authority experience and 18 years Private Sector experience within the shipping and manufacturing industries.

**Governor Committee membership & role:** Full Governing Body membership and Chair of the Finance Sub-committee.

**Personal interests/hobbies:** Spending quality time with my family.

**Name:**  Dr Alexandra Stechmann.  
**Governor Type**: Co-opted.

**Personal background/experience:** PhD in Molecular Biology, 10 years work as postdoctoral Research Fellow (overseas and in Europe), 8 years as a secondary science teacher, since 2 years also part of the WPD team (dealing with PSHE related issues).

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:**  Knowledge about secondary education on the national level; in depth knowledge about changes to the curriculum within the last couple of years, especially science; member of the GB since 7 years; published research in international research journals, presentation of findings at international conferences.

**Governor Committee membership & role:** member of Full GB, Training Link Governor, member of Strategies and Curriculum committee.

**Personal interests/hobbies:** Family, nature.

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**Name:** Linda Jordan.

**Governor Type:** Co-opted.

**Personal background/experience:** I am a teacher by profession having worked in mainstream and special schools, the early years and further education.

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:** I have been a school and college governor in Newham since 1986 and a governor at Eastlea since 1994I have worked as an SEN advisory teacher and an Assistant Director of Education in a local authority. For the past sixteen years I have worked nationally; first at the Department of Health on the national learning disability strategy and since 2011 for the National Development Team for Inclusion on a contract with the Department for Education to support local areas with the implementation of the SEND Reforms contained within the 2014 Children and Families Act. I was Chair of Newham’s Education Committee from 1986 until 1994.

I have expertise in many areas of governance. My particular area of interest is high quality inclusive teaching and learning which is differentiated to excite and challenge all children and young people.

**Governor Committee membership & role:** Member of Strategies and Curriculum committee.

**Personal interests/hobbies:** I have a wide range of personal interests including social justice and equality, theatre, music and films. I have two lovely children and an adorable granddaughter who I spend as much time with as possible.

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**Name:** Parveen Nawab

**Governor Type:** Co-opted.

**Personal background/experience:**

I am a former student of Eastlea who left in 2004, and now serve on the Governing Body as Vice Chair and Chair of the Strategies and Curriculum Committee.

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:** I have been working in education since 2006, when I became involved in the University of Sussex's Widening Participation schemes to recruit and mentor young people from disadvantaged backgrounds in Higher Education. For one year after graduation I delivered a national roadshow for Aim higher on behalf of the Department for Business, Innovation, and Skills where I visited approximately 150 schools to inspire and inform young people in challenging areas of London and the South-East about Higher Education. I have since qualified as a Teach First Ambassador as English Teacher, Director of Literacy, and now Lead Practitioner for English and Literacy in two London schools, volunteered as a senior leader in a charity-funded school in mountainous North-West Pakistan (2014), and delivered the Limited Resource Teacher Training programme in Kathmandu, Nepal in 2013 (2013). Between 2012 and 2015 I also completed my MA in Leadership from University College London.

**Governor Committee membership & role:** Member of Strategies and Curriculum committee.

**Personal interests/hobbies:** My professional interests and skills lie in delivering and embedding within school systems innovative pedagogy linked to literacy, oracy, and metacognition, as well as in curriculum design, and organisational culture. Drawing on my current and prior experiences in education, and as a local resident of Newham, I feel I can bring strategic as well as creative skills to the Body.

When away from professional commitments, I love writing about and photographing adventure travels, motorcycle touring, and going on random expeditions such as from London to India and London to Japan by land and sea. I also have a keen interest in collecting 1950s' furniture, social activism, and women's rights, amongst other recreations!

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**Name:  Richard Ashiagbor**

**Governor Type:** Local Authority

**Personal background/experience:** 15+ years working with young people and families, born and live in the borough, experience in working in charity and public sector

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:**previous work in youth offending team, and social worker currently.

**Governor Committee membership & role:** student progress committee- chair of committee

**Personal interests/hobbies:**

Gym, film, music

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**Name:** Ann French

**Governor Type:** Co-opted governor

**Personal background/experience:** I started as a parent governor in 2006, and since my last child left in 2013 I have been a co-opted governor. I enjoy the contact with parents and students, i truly believe that the key to a child's education is the relationship between students, parents, staff, and governors; working together to bring about the best possible outcome for the students.

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:**I have had 4 children who were educated at Eastlea Community School and all have done very well and are now successful adults. This is why I remain a governor at Eastlea.

**Governor Committee membership & role:** Students and curriculum.

**Personal interests/hobbies:** I enjoy eating out and spending time with my family. I enjoy ballroom and Latin dancing with my husband. I also enjoy fishing with our grandson.

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**Name:**  Dennis Udall  
**Governor Type:** Parent Governor

**Personal background/experience:**I work in the NHS as an Assistant Director of Contracts for North East London Commissioning Support Unit. I have worked for the NHS for over 27 years, mainly in Information, Performance, and Business Intelligence and Contracting roles. During this time, I have worked across a broad range of NHS employers, including CCGs, Acute Trusts and the Department of Health.

My experience in the NHS, and it’s financial pressures, will, I believe, help me understand the financial pressures that the Education system is continuously under.

I have a master’s degree in Health Information Sciences that I gained at the University of Warwick. The main focus of this degree was statistics and in particular the statistical methodologies and tests used within health care and healthcare research. I have put this to use primarily in my performance and BI roles in the NHS.

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:**I have a good understanding of performance metrics and their construction and interpretation**.**

**Governor Committee membership & role:** None to date**.**

**Personal interests/hobbies: :** I am a huge sports fan and will happily watch most sports. In the past, I have played Rugby to a reasonably high level and also qualified as a coach and eventually as a referee. When I was at school and college I represented them and the region in Basketball and volleyball. These days I spend my spare time with my family and enjoy walking and getting my son interested in outdoor life.

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**Name:** Nikki Shah

**Governor Type:** Parent Governor

**Personal background/experience:** I have previously worked in the IT industry including sales, product support and customer service. I also have several years’ experience teaching dance and working part time at schools in Newham.

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:** I know the importance of education and the impact this has on the development of children. I understand there can be challenges in school and with my varied experience I’m able to give an overall parents perspective.

**Governor Committee membership & role:** Member of the Students Progress Committee

**Personal interests/hobbies:** My family, and reading.

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**Name:** Olusegun Bankole

**Governor Type:** Co-opted

**Personal Background /Experience:** I worked with a State Government in Nigeria as a Teacher and Administrative Officer for almost 20 years before I retired and ventured into my private business. I was running a Business Centre as well as into poultry farming. I migrated with my family to United Kingdom in 2008. I am in Civil Enforcement industry as a Team Manager. I have versed knowledge in Administration, Management and Conflict Resolution **Expertise brought to the Governing Body:** Management and Conflict Resolution.

**Governor Committee Membership & Role:** Finance and Student Progress. Member

**Personal Interest/hobbies:** I am interested in students’ progress and achievements. I am a football enthusiast. I love reading newspapers and listening to news. I also love music .

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**Name:** Mahamudu Seidu **Governor Type:**Co-opted Governor

**Personal background/experience:**I am a Science teacher at Eastlea Community School and currently the acting CTL for Science. My special area of interest is Curriculum Design, Development and Assessment. I have a wealth of experience in these fields of education.

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:** I have served as a linked governor for Curriculum and Maths, in the past, and made a significant contribution to Curriculum related issues in Governing Body Meetings. I am currently a linked Governor for Finance.

**Governor Committee membership & role:** I have had training in in Finance and the way school budgets are conducted and therefore able to understand and make a contribution to school budget presentation and discussions.

**Personal interests/hobbies:** I have interests in Sport and Science Fiction I used to play football and still follow football related matters.

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**Name:** Michelle Cornish  
**Governor Type:**Parent Governor

**Personal background/experience:** As a local business owner I have acquired many skills which are transferrable to the role of Governor; knowledge and understanding of finances, marketing, liaising with others and management.

**Expertise brought to the Governing Body:** Being a resident of Newham, a former student and a parent at the school I am well placed within the community and have an insight into the local area and those who live here.

**Governor Committee membership & role:** N/A

**Personal interests/hobbies:** In my Spare time I like to partake in activities with my family. Wherever possible, I also volunteer at a local Primary School and support community events.