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- MAT Board
- Governors
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- Articles of Association
- Scheme of Delegation
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- Local Advisory Body
- Academy Council
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Members	<p>Minimum of three, DfE prefer 5, usually original signatories to the memorandum, should be some separation from the board</p> <p>Equivalent to shareholders in Company Law. Few powers or duties :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Must meet once a year</li> <li>- Usually approve articles of association and any changes</li> <li>- Receive audited accounts</li> </ul>
Trustees	Interchangeable; anyone who is a Director is a Trustee and vice-versa. The MAT is both a company (which has Directors) and a charity (which has Trustees)
Directors	
MAT Board	The Board of Directors/Trustees who run the Multi Academy Trust
Governors	Might mean MAT Board members, might mean Local Governing Body members – all a little fuzzy in the world of MATs
Memorandum	The document agreed by the founding Members which gives birth to a Company
Articles of Association	Another document agreed by the Members which sets out the rules by which the Company will be run
Scheme of Delegation	The document which sets out what the MAT Board wants a Local Governing Body to do (or not do)
Local Governing Body	A committee appointed by the MAT Board to oversee one school in a Multi Academy Trust
Local Advisory Body	Alternative names for a Local Governing Body each of which would reflect a particular sort of Scheme of Delegation
Academy Council	
Parent Council	A local consultative arrangement for ensuring that parental voices are heard