SUMMARY

The aim of this research project is to investigate the impact of capacity building on school governing body parent members and to recommend steps that could be followed to capacitate them to perform their functions effectively and efficiently in order to provide quality education for learners. The researcher used a qualitative approach and applied the focus group interview method to gather data from both the school governing body members, parents and educators.

The researcher investigated the methods, timing and content details of the capacitation of school governing body parent members after they were elected in South African public schools.

In order to make informed recommendations, an investigation was also conducted on how capacity building amongst governors in England and Wales was conducted.

On the basis of the information gathered from these investigations, the researcher was able to make some recommendations on capacity building of school governing body parent members.