

Minutes of Scottish Centre Council Meeting

Date: 15th February 2008

Venue: Caledonian Environment Centre, Glasgow

In Attendance:

Colin Clark	David Fellows
Jim Baird	Duncan Simpson
Trevor Jones	Wendy Raynor
Catherine MacLean	Andy Barker
Kenneth Morin	George Niblock

Item	Action
Apologies	John Harris, John Ferguson, Karen Anderson, John Crawford
Minutes of Previous Meeting Matters Arising	Accepted as accurate.
	Charging for seminars – tabled.
	Eventful Scotland – KM advised of date for 2008 – 7 th and 8 th October, at the Hilton Glasgow. Have taken on board various complaints and comments etc. looking for suggestions on topics/speakers and keeping the format of last year. Will be in Edinburgh in 2009.
	Looking to “Brand” each conference theme each year.
	KM has stepped down as Chair and John Summers and is happy to step down from the committee if a member is willing to take over. Specifically WR to ask the NGG if anyone is willing to serve.
	Also requesting participation from Cosla, S. Enterprise and LARAC.
	Life memberships considered on 27 th May 2008.
	Letters to SOLACE and Cosla. Holding reply from SOLACE. Nothing from Cosla.
	JB to write to CEO on RDO work.
	CMaCL met with JF and Jenny Grant and will take a bigger role in the X party Meetings and Newsletters. Requesting sponsorship for some of the meetings.
	It was agreed that if a sponsor can't be found SCC will sponsor the lunch up to £200.

Elections CC advised that the nominations close on the 28th.
AB advised that requests for nominations went out by e-mail and for those without e-mail address got a hard copy.
Ballots will continue as hard copy.

Meetings **Spring Meeting** – (24th April for SCC) Friday 25th April (and AGM) – suggested topic “Cleaner Safer Communities” - agreed.
Autumn Meeting – (7th November) – suggested topics: “Composting Technology”, “Food Waste Treatment including Home Composting”, “Site Waste Management Plans”.

Jeff Cooper will attend the meeting on the 8th April.

CMAcL/JB

6th march event (healthcare waste) has 18 delegates so far. If Business Services cant run it then SCC will run it independently.

RDO Report CMAcL
Visited Western Isles –new member;
Doing a haz waste Event on 8th April;
Met with Cardonald College on Waste Aware & Construction Waste courses – the college will run courses;
Northern Seminar on 19th Feb – 85 delegates so far probably reach 90 delegates on the day;
Media work – two news releases – concordat and 24th Jan announcement;
Membership Development Plan is okay and needs to be signed off today;
Activity Plan has also been done and is signed of by HQ;
Scottish Membership is now 617.
Nationally 7,230 members. % increase is going down – but lost 1,000 members – CIWM has a significant retention problem especially amongst students etc. Need to tackle conversion to corporate memberships.
Interviewer workshops – 50 in Glasgow and 12 in Aberdeen. Have a total of 80 people now.
20th March – 3 or 4 interview panels will take place.
KM suggested that these individuals are clearly interested in CIWM and should be encouraged to help with consultations, rep on SIGs and conferences etc.
Other interviews will be done on the 20th June and 24th October.
Attended Univ of West of Scotland – talked with students;
Published newsletter and seems to have been well received;
Deadline for next newsletter 18th April.

Reports S&T, EMT **S&T – DF** meeting cancelled insufficient attendance. AB advised that HQ is trialing software to help input by more remote members. All sub groups will meet on the 6th May.
DF to write short article on the SIGs for the newsletter.
S&T considering the amendments to the WFD.

DF

ETM – DS tabled report;
Training courses – 600 attended;
2008 programme underway;
Tech Competence – CIWM Business Services may get involved in courses for this;
CPD Survey – 318 members – 35% responded;
Univ of West of Scotland wants the MSc course accredited;
Chair applauded NGG for its efforts. The national event will be in Cardiff on the 4/5th April 2008.

AB – review of mature entry will now be known as “Experienced Practitioner” route and the report will be tailored to show that technical competences have been met and will be around 4,000 words.

KM advised that we should encourage a degree of mentoring to help both the young members and the more experienced individuals who might want to become members. Agreed. CMAcL will send a list of likely candidates round.

AB will work with training to keep in touch with those interviewees who are referred. CMAcL will do the same locally.

DS advised that we need to consider how we sell the profession and show in particular that access to the waste industry is open to virtually every graduate qualification.

CMAcL

CMAcL tabled research proposal on Membership.
DS summarised the rationale behind the proposal.
JB agreed that market research is vital and none really exists. Should CIWM do this at UK level? The SCC could not fund it on its own.
CC suggested that it could be done as a pathfinder for the CIWM.
AB agreed that he will speak to the CEO next week – perhaps splitting the costs.

All

TJ said that the data would inform the Institution rather than just the SCC – so it should be done by the CIWM.

Agreed that AB should propose to the CEO that SCC will pay 50% if CIWM pay the other half.

AB

NGG Report

WR – 16 committee members now;
Last meeting was 5th Feb;
Some National Event funding available – contact Wendy Raynor/Catherine Maclean in the first instance;

	<p>AB and WR to discuss funding options for co-ordinators; NGG event to be tagged on to Eventful Scotland (at end of day 1); Site visits – need a risk assessment template – 2 confirmed visits for this year. And waste safaris are planned; Next meeting 15th April.</p>	WR/AB
<p>Xmas Lunch Post Mortem</p>	<p>JB – feedback – good and bad anecdotally. Survey to be carried out using e-mail. NGG – enjoyable but alternative venue should be considered for 2008. TJ advised that he hasn't heard anyone who liked the venue. Generally the service was poor. 2008 lunch – 12th December.</p>	JB/CMaCL
<p>AOCB</p>	<p>Treasurers Report : deferred until next meeting. Agenda Item.</p> <p>Position Statements (EfW, DVC, 2 weekly collections): JB tabled position papers and will be discussed at next meeting. Agenda Item</p> <p>Website: AB – now signed a contract with a developer and the new site will go live in September. John Bent (HQ) would like someone to input on the SCC web pages. Agreed that CMaCL will be main contact and aided by DS who will deal with the functionality etc. Paul Livermore to be contacted by John Bent.</p> <p>KM Consultations – Scottish Futures Trust, Climate Change Bill, SEPA's EfW criteria, Better Waste Regulation. CMaCL to send e- mail round membership requesting volunteers & noting Closing date.</p>	
	<p>- should SCC write to Simon Stockwell to offer to help with the Zero Waste process. Agreed that JB will write.</p> <p>- CMaCL will seek agenda items from membership for the SWMLG</p>	<p>CMaCL</p> <p>JB</p> <p>CMaCL</p>