

<b>REPORT FROM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE</b>
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The Professional Development Committee has met twice since the last Executive Meeting: on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March. The focus of both meetings has largely been conference planning and there has been considerable progress in this area.

The following points represent the primary items of business:

- **Conference 07:** The logistics of the conference are being worked through with Julie Ommer from Glasgow and conference areas and accommodation have been booked already. Precor have confirmed as headline sponsor and Jacqui is working with several suppliers on other sponsorship packages. Bookings for the conference will start on the 16<sup>th</sup> April via the SUS website and an introductory email will be sent out next week detailing the date, theme and topics. The provisional programme is attached for your information. For the first time this year it is proposed to hold an awards ceremony at the conference dinner and Exec views on a SUS Hall of Fame are requested.
- **Audit:** The audit results have now been published on the SUS and Sportscotland websites and the statistics have proved useful for the presentations and meetings as detailed in paper 3.
- **Student Handbook:** PDC held a sub-group meeting in Dundee to discuss the way forward for producing a student handbook. This would see the collation of existing resources into a manageable electronic document for Presidents and Club Captains which would be downloadable from the SUS website.
- **Looking Ahead:** It is planned to run an Administrators' Forum at the conference and it is hoped to attract more attendees than at the Christmas Seminar.

**Key dates to note:**

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| • Next Meeting   | 11 <sup>th</sup> May     | Dundee University     |
| • SUS Conference | 12-13 <sup>th</sup> June | Glasgow University    |
| • UCS Conference | 26-29 <sup>th</sup> June | St Andrews University |

**SUS Executive is asked to consider the following:**

Item
Exec endorsement of conference programme is sought
Exec views on a SUS Hall of Fame in addition to the awards as detailed by COMPS

**SUS Conference - Scotland Looking Outward: how can we compete in the world market?**

**Tues 12 / Wed 13 June - Glasgow**

Venue	Western Infirmary	
Tues 12 June	0930 - 0945	<b>Registration and Coffee</b>
	0945 - 1000	<b>Welcome</b> Jim / Julie
	1000 - 1100	<b>Higher Education - A Global Business</b> Jo Cameron, former 'Apprentice' candidate and social entrepreneur
	1100 - 1130	<b>Equality &amp; Diversity</b> ?? with Naseem Anwar (tbc)
	1130 - 1145	<b>Drinks</b>
	1145 - 1245	<b>Forecasting for the future - Workshop:</b> ?? Where we see ourselves in 10 years ?? How we cope with change
	1245 - 1300	<b>??Sponsor - tee up lunch</b>
	1300 - 1415	<b>Trade Show Lunch</b>
	1415 - 1515	<b>Winning Strategies</b> ??Insights - Simon Timson (tbc)
	1515 - 1530	<b>Drinks</b>
	1530 - 1630	<b>Different Thinking - Interactive</b> Jonathan Rowson, Scotland's youngest ever Chess grandmaster
	1630	<b>Summary remarks and thanks from the Chair</b>
		<b>Leisure time ??</b>
	1845	<b>SUS Drinks Reception</b>
	1930	<b>Conference Dinner, Awards &amp; Ceilidh</b> held within Randolph Hall ??Euan Murray - Scotland Rugby International Player (tbc)
	later	<b>Glasgow nightlife awaits</b>

Venue	Garscube	
Wed 13 June	0930 - 1000	<b>Arrival / Coffee</b>
	1000 - 1130	<b>The Bigger Picture - Lessons from Abroad</b> Intro - Sport 21 Context - Francesca Osowska (tbc) Reply from Jim with Audit figures ?? Good Practice - International picture - from Finland - Academic (tbc)
	1130 - 1145	<b>Drinks</b>
	1145 - 1245	<b>Competing at International Level</b> ??WUGS - Curlers (tbc)
	1245 - 1330	<b>Lunch</b>
	1330 - 1345	<b>A word from our sponsor</b>
	1345 - 1445	<b>Workshop (Physical Activity) / Forums</b> Juliet to lead interactive breakout session (Directors/Administrators/Academics Forums)
	1445 - 1500	<b>Conference Closing</b>
	1500 - 1600	<b>SUS AGM</b>
	1600	<b>Barbeque - Fun Activities</b>
	1700	<b>Depart</b>