

REPORT FROM THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Professional Development Committee met on Monday 29th March 2010 at St Andrew's University. Below is a summary of the business discussed:

SUS Conference 09: PDC discussed the content of workshops and potential key note speakers for conference 10. A Draft programme for conference was agreed and is attached to this report. A debate topic is required and it is hoped that can maybe have a national context and we can invite some guest debtors.

The conference will be in Aberdeen with the first day at Aberdeen Uni and the second day at RGU. Both facilities are ideal and the dinner and the majority of the accommodation will be provided at the same hotel.

We are still awaiting conformation of a headline sponsor. We hope this year to have a printed programme with adverts rather than companies providing information for packs. Companies will still be allowed to provide freebies. Conference gift will be a t shirt and possibly a USB pen depending on price and budget.

SUS Strategy - PDC Action Plan:

- Working towards Level One Equity Award, including survey of all committees, training session for all committees, and updating the SUS Equity Policy
- Administration forum up and running managed by Administrators for Administrators with a date coming soon
- Operations forum takes place on 28th April at Strathclyde University looking at Integrated Management Systems and Training and Development of Staff
- SUS mobile phone application will now be delivered in partnership with apple and available on itunes. This will allow the applications to be much better and have further reach.
- Web site, facebook and newsletter have all now passed their KPI's as set out in the PDC action plan and continue to grow.
- Brand ambassador leaflets now printed and in circulation.
- PDC have completed all of its short term actions and will create next years plan at next meeting.

SUS National Campaign on Student inactivity and the benefits of sport and exercise

Jacqui and Catriona will meet with representatives of NUS Scotland later this month to look at us working together to source funding for a national campaign around student mental health and the benefits of sport and exercise.

SUS Executive is asked to consider the following:

Item
None at Present

SUS Conference 2010

Tues 15 / Wed 16 June - Aberdeen & Robert Gordon Universities

Venue	Aberdeen University	
Tues 9 June	1000 - 1030	Registration and Coffee
	1030 - 1045	Welcome Filippo Antoniazzi / Aberdeen Principal
	1045 - 1200	Keynote 1 - Mark Beaumont, followed by questions
	1200 - 1215	Refuel
	1215 - 1315	Debate Session - Mark Beaumont + ??
	1315 - 1430	Lunch & Sports Village Tours
	1430 - 1645	Breakout Sessions x 2 hour sessions with Refuel from 1530 - 1545 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SUSPAC - Mental Health. • National Context • Managing People & Leadership. • Colleges Research Session • Performance Sport Forum (2 hour session) • Academics Forum (2 hour session)
		Leisure time @ Sports Village
	1900	Pre-Dinner Drinks
	1930	Conference Dinner, Awards & Ceilidh Ardoe House Hotel

Venue	RGU	
Wed 10 June	0930 - 1000	Arrival
	1000 - 1015	RGU Welcome
	1015 - 1115	Keynote 2 - Hannah Miley & her Coach
	1115 - 1130	Refreshments
	1130 - 1230	Keynote 3 - Powerplate
	1230 - 1400	Lunch / Tradeshow
	1400 - 1500	Forums & Breakout Groups (Powerade Refuel) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Directors Forum • Operations - Customer Care: driving service standards up • SUSPAC - Primal Lifestlye • Social Networking: Lab session • Colleges - the way forward
	1515 - 1600	SUS AGM
	1600 - 1615	Conference Closing
	1630	Depart