

REPORT FROM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Professional Development Committee last met on the Tuesday 14th October 2008 at RGU Sport.

The following points represent the primary items of business:

- **SUS Conference:** Conference 2009 was discussed at and the event will be held in the new postgraduate building from the 9-11th June at Heriot-Watt University. Physical Activity was discussed as a possible theme; however final theme will be dependent on availability of speakers. It was suggested that John Beattie be to be a headline speaker but to also act as the compare for the day.
- **Christmas Seminar:** Christmas Seminar this year is at Queen Margaret University on the 11th December. The main theme of the day will be around cycling and encouraging students and staff to participate in cycling across all of the SUS areas of Active - Competitive - Innovative. Delegates will be encouraged to use green transport methods to attend the seminar.
- **Special Interest Groups:** It is hoped that a follow up to the administrator's day will be carried out in January. An email will be sent to gadget what time and topic would be suitable.

It is also hoped that a development day can be established for operational members of staff. Further discussion will take place to establish a topic that would be suitable for the diverse nature of operations.

- **Marketing Strategy:** The group had some discussion on how it can support the achievements of actions within the strategy. JS will advise as and when support is required.
- **Audit 2008:** It was agreed that the audit did not require any changes from last year. The audit will be sent early November. The 6 new FE institutes will not be part of the audit this year although some follow-up work may ensue.

Key dates to note:

- SUS Christmas Seminar 11th December QMU