



Précis and action points from the Scottish Student Sport West Region meeting held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at sportscotland, Templeton on the Green

Meeting 1400

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## Present

Andrew Kirk (AK) – City of Glasgow College,  
David Dougan (DD) – Ayrshire College, Chair  
Fraser Michie (FM) – University of Strathclyde  
Jamie Taylor (JT) – University of Glasgow  
Jenny Beedie (JB) – University of Glasgow  
Karen McLoughlin (KM) – University of Strathclyde  
Leo Howes (LH) – SSS  
Linsey Roseman (LR) – UWS  
Paul Grady (PG) – SAE Institute

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## Actions

### 1. Welcome and scene setting

DD welcomed everyone to the meeting, minutes were approved and apologies received from GCU, Glasgow International College and New College Lanarkshire.

### Heading(s) reflecting the Agenda

#### 2. SSS Update

a) SSS Conference – sign up is now live at <http://www.scottishstudentsport.com/events/scottish-student-sport-conference/> All

b) Staffing – SSS will be looking to fill 2 vacant Regional Sports Coordinator posts this summer.

c) sportscotland Regional Meetings – Rob Hardie (Lead Partnership Manager) is keen to extend an invitation to member staff to attend recently created meetings for SGB regional staff and community sports hub officers in the West. LH will provide details when available. LH

d) Volunteer Management Session – we are working with **sportscotland** to arrange a volunteer management CPD session for members including principles of recruitment, support/development and recognition and reward. The University of Strathclyde have volunteered to host and we will have around 12 places on offer. LH will provide details when available. LH

#### 3. Institution Priority Updates

##### City of Glasgow College

- Increased number of sessions
- Paid student coaches – big impact in increasing student participation
- Looking to continue development next year with more paid coaches

## GCU

- New strategy for sport written and available in Policy Documents at <http://www.gcustudents.co.uk/volunteerresources>

## Glasgow International College

- Significant increases in student engagement and participation in Regional Football Ladder

## University of Glasgow

- Review of sports club tiers ongoing and near implementation stage
- 300 questionnaires regarding drop in/recreational sport completed
- Challenges of going from paid officer to volunteer led activity due to employment law
- Looking to develop Bounce Back to Netball programme including invitations to other institutions to attend tournaments

## SAE Institute

- First regional meeting
- Keen for any potential partnerships with members in the region – eg filming Scottish Boat Race, facility access etc.

## University of Strathclyde

- Preparing for new sports building
- Reviewing sports governance structures
- Currently undertaking kit tender
- Looking at new club sport content management system (potential for other institutions to create something similar)

## UWS

- Increase in BUCS points table positioning to 92<sup>nd</sup> (target is top 50)
- More links between SAUWS and University staff
- New Sports Coordinator – Iain Christie
- Club development focus – more BUCS entries and coach recruitment

## Coach Employment Status

Discussion around how coaches can be engaged – self employed or institution/club employee. Agreement that self employed is easier to manage from a club/institution point of view, however, some restrictions need to be observed such as coaches being able to provide a substitute.

JB to provide Glasgow's club resource guide

JB

FM to provide Strathclyde's contract for service

FM

PG to provide SAE's service provider contract

PG

## 5. Competitions

a) BUCS – all institutions should have finalised their 2017/18 entries through BUCScore. Late entries will still be considered.

b) SSS Regional Programme – 2016/17: Total participation was 238 students, 196 male and 42 female. City of Glasgow College won Men's Basketball and UWS won Badminton Regional Leagues. City of Glasgow College lead the Regional Football Ladder.

2017/18: currently in planning stages, looking at expanding Regional Ladder programme to incorporate more sports. Comments from the group that this should avoid conflict with BUCS fixtures and look for potential tie ins with officiating courses to provide practical experience and assessment opportunities. Possible sports include badminton, basketball, football, netball, rugby and volleyball. LH will provide more details when available.

LH

## 6. Regional Chair

DD has completed 2 year term as West Region Chair and invited interest from others to take on the role. This position will be elected at SSS AGM and any interested individuals are welcome to contact DD and LH for further details.

All

## 7. AOCB

Thanks – LH thanked DD for all of his work as West Region Chair for past 2 years and everyone else for attending the meeting and supporting the group.

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