
Meeting notes

Meeting HEDQF Meeting
Date 22nd February 2006
Venue University of Wolverhampton
Present
Prof Roy Newton-Chair (RN) University of Wolverhampton
Rupert Cook (RC) Architecture plb
Fiona Duggan (FD) DEGW
Eleanor Magennis(EM)University of Strathclyde
Angela Nash (AN) University of Wolverhampton
David Emmanuel Noel (DEN) RIBA
Liz Pride (LP) McCormac Jamieson Pritchard

In
attendance

Apologies
Andrew Geehan (AG) University of Westminster
Sir Kenneth Calman(KC) University of Durham
Mel Barlex (MBx) University of Westminster
Richard Furter(RF) University College London
Roger Hawkins (RH) Hawkins Brown Architects
Nick Howkins(NH) Northcroft Construction
Chris Higgins (CH) King Alfreds College
Rod McAllister (RM) Sheppard Robson
Ian Mehrrens (IM) Royal Veterinary College
Alice Mitchell(AM) Ultralab
Colin Moses (CM) RMJM
David Pearce (DP) University of Wales College Newport
Graham Roddick (GR) University of Strathclyde
Len Wilson (LW) University of Sheffield

1.0 **Minutes from the last meeting**

The minutes were agreed

2.0 **Matters arising**

AUDE will be publishing its POE report in April

3.0 **HEDQF 2005 Conference**

The RIBA Higher Education Design Quality Forum (HEDQF) 2005 Conference used case studies including the University of Wolverhampton and Sussex University's Centre for Learning to identify key components as interpreted by the client, contractor

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and architect. Speakers were Roger Williams and Helen Gale of Wolverhampton University, Rudi Klein, Chief Executive of the Specialist Engineering Contractors Group and Dr Tom Hamilton of Creative Environments for Learning, University of Sussex.

Providing the keynote address, Pramod Philip of HEFCE outlined funding opportunities and strategies for e learning. Presentations are now available to view on the HEDQF website.

4.0 **Proposed HEDQF 2006 Conference**

The HEDQF will be represented at the second in a series of sport and education debates organised by the DEN. On April 11th experts representing the architectural profession, education sector and leisure industry will explore the impact of the 2012 Olympic games and how universities develop world class facilities for professional and community use. The Universities of Loughborough, Wolverhampton and East Anglia are case studies.

The group was asked to consider topics for the annual Winter event. The areas considered include e learning, staff space, specialist teaching areas, heritage and student housing. Case studies highlighting integrated learning spaces were championed. Potential case studies include Sussex, Open University Business School, Loughborough and Strathclyde University.

Members were encouraged to look at new and more attractive venues for the 2006 HEDQF conference following a lower than expected turnout this year.

5.0 **Higher Education Building Exhibition**

Working group was formed to oversee the first stage of the exhibition. The first stage will allow practices to submit written applications, with images via email to the task group. Successful practices will be asked to produce panels following HEDQF approved guidelines.

As part of the criteria projects should be:

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- Designed for the HE sector
- In the UK
- A new or refurbished building completed within the last 3 years
- Masterplan – may be unimplemented or only partially implemented
- A landscape project completed within the last 3 years
- A joint submission by the HE Client and Architect
- There will be no limit on the number of projects by one university or architect to encourage submission of more varied/ less high profiles projects (multiple submissions will be displayed smaller)

6.0 **Update on brief for POE and Staff space**

The HEDQF agreed to front Strathclyde University's HEFCE application as a consultative research group. Scottish universities are excluded from applying directly to the funding council for England. EM will liaise with RN & AN regarding the proposal

7.0 **Leadership, Governance and Management Project**

The researcher position has been advertised. The researcher will work in Wolverhampton University's School of Engineering and Built Environment

8.0 **Any Other Business**

Key housing for HE staff
LP briefed forum members on how HE staff do not fall into the criteria for key sector housing applications. She argued that HE bodies should lobby Government

9.0 **Date of Next Meeting**

The proposed dates for the next meeting are April 26th, July 12th & Sept 13th 2006.