

SUALL

MAULL Minutes

31 October 2008

A meeting of Maull was held within the Centre for Lifelong Learning, University of Strathclyde, on Friday 31 October 2008.

Present Theresa Hoare (Glasgow (SUALL)), Alex Rougvie (St Andrews), Jill Thomson (SAC), Sherrey Landles (ECA), Alix McDonald (Strathclyde), Raymond Thomson (Strathclyde (Chair)).

Apologies Donald Paterson (Aberdeen), Keith Mackle (Dundee), Jill McKay (Dundee), Helen McWhirr (Glasgow), Margaret Mill (Napier), Claire Wylie (Glasgow)

University Updates

Glasgow: Rod Purcell (Comm Ed) is new HOD for 4 years and will be on UALL Executive. PASCAL work is still being done and research groups are being formed. A University-wide Student Life-Cycle Project is being implemented.

ECA: An on-line payment system is being developed. There is still some resistance to electronic progress. Geraldine Prince is now a Staff Governor of ECA. 300-500 students on ILA (compared to 30 in previous session). ILA audit is coming soon.

Strathclyde: The Centre for Lifelong Learning will be joining the Faculty of Education. Alix McDonald is now Office Manager at the Centre. A large conference, connected to "The Homecoming" is to be organised in 2009.

SAC: The ILA audit is now completed. At the audit, registers were not needed, only a list of outcomes achieved. The internal ILA administration is quite complex and will be simplified. ILA500 is being used by students. Now funded by SFC.

St Andrews: Alex is retiring. STEP (St Andrews Extension Programme) now has responsibility for language teaching, including English. There is a new Principal and a new medical building is being constructed. ILA500 is being introduced and interest is being expressed in ILA200. The evening degree has surged in numbers.

Dundee: No longer teaching languages.

Minutes Accepted

Matters Arising None

Business Different types of evaluation form were circulated. Interest was expressed in the Strathclyde system and members were given details of the software package.

AOB None

Topic for Next Meeting

Sherrey Landles has spoken to Robbie Bushe, Lifelong Learning Co-ordinator, CCS, and he will propose a topic which he will present to the meeting. The presentation will last around 30 minutes.

Next meeting The Boardroom of ECA on Friday 30 January 2009