

COMMITTEE OF DEPARTMENTS OF ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Executive Committee Meeting

Virtually via Zoom

10th Dec 2021

Meeting started at 09.30

Item		Action
1.	<p>Attendance and apologies <u>Present:</u> Joan Ballantine, Sarah Jones, Siobhan Goggin, Paul Jennings, Seyi Adesina, Hafez Abdo Lisa Weaver, Darren Sparkes, Parminder Johal (from 10.00) David Trodden (from 10.20)</p> <p>Apologies: None</p>	
2.	<p>Minutes from previous meeting</p> <p>Chair thanked Siobhan for all the work on the mailing list. Still to be matched to NSS spreadsheet to ensure all universities are covered.</p> <p>Paul has set up capturing more details from attendees on signing up to conference/ workshops Eventbrite. Forward info to Siobhan post event to add to the mailing list.</p> <p>Paul - send the link for the Youtube video to all those who registered for the Nov workshop.</p> <p>Vacancies on CDAF Committee: Chair, Vice- Chair, Secretary and one ordinary member positions will become available, plus 2 co-opted members. SJ to advertise via BAFA newsletter</p>	<p>SG</p> <p>PJ</p> <p>SA/PJ</p> <p>SJ</p>
3.	<p>Chairs Update Committee were reminded re GDPR following email from BAFA, which was circulated to the committee in early December.</p>	
4.	<p>Conference Update Thursday 5th May 2022 – virtual conference Theme: Views on the Future of the Accounting Profession: Implications for Higher Education Running order: Keynote speaker from FRC, Phil Fitzgerald – Lisa following the formalities with FRC. Alan Nelson, Managing Director, Accountingcpd.net.</p> <p>This is a link to the comment piece written by Alan Nelson, I think we will talk around this at the conference https://www.accountingcpd.net/LBR/G20051010163243-949240147/docs/The_Finance_Function_of_the_Future_whitepaper_by_Alan_Nelson.pdf</p>	LW

	<p>Lara Gee Associate Dean (Aston) Programme Strategy development - Lisa to liaise Alan Sangster Revolutionizing the Accounting Curriculum in Higher Education: A vision of the future – Joan to liaise</p> <p>Paul working with Tracy resetting up the conference ‘platform’</p> <p>In the previous meeting we mentioned the following – but these were not discussed at this meeting, but included here as a prompt for the next meeting. Possible suggestions for inclusion in the conference: Student perspective – differing practices, via a panel of students – mix of years including UG and PG Staff perspective Assessment – proctoring and in person exams experience Anxieties</p>	<p>LW JB</p> <p>PJ</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Workshop Update</p> <p>4th March 2022 – Venue Online Building Sustainability into the Accounting and Finance Curriculum</p> <p>Lisa has organised the ACCA guest speaker Yen-Pei Chen: Manager in Professional Insights Team to accompany Professor Ian Thomson from Birmingham. Running order constructed. Title of Ian’s talk to be confirmed to complement Yen-Pei. Joan to confirm with Ian Thomson.</p> <p>Paul to sort Zoom link with Tracy. Eventbrite link: cdaf0322.eventbrite.co.uk SJ to advertise Seyi to update website/Linkedin/Twitter to reflect this</p> <p>4th November 2022 – Venue TBC Decolonising the Curriculum: Implications for Accounting and Finance</p> <p>Darren has contacts in DMU and will pull this together. Parminder to help. Joan to contact Stewart Smyth – as a possible speaker. ICAEW/ICAS could be involved. Further contacts to be developed – all committee to investigate. Eventbrite link: Paul to set up Seyi to update website to reflect this.</p> <p>Possible sources to provide a background to this workshop: Musimuni Dowelani & Mahlatsi Maredi : Are Accounting Academics equipped to heed the call to decolonise accounting curriculum? https://scholar.google.com/citations?view_op=view_citation&hl=en&user=0iMwWGIAAAAJ&citation_for_view=0iMwWGIAAAAJ:Y0pCki6q_DkC</p> <p>This article is quite recent and includes decolonising the curriculum: Joanne Sopt - San Francisco State University and Chandana Alawattage - University of Glasgow https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/pdf/10.1080/01559982.2021.1952685</p>	<p>JB</p> <p>PJennings SJ SA</p> <p>DS/ PJohal</p> <p>JB ALL</p> <p>PJennings SA</p>

	<p>Panel Discussion on Decolonising the Accounting and ...https://www.youtube.com › watch</p> <p>We could contact the speaker from Advance HE, Mia Liyanage https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross_fac/academy/activities/seminar/decolonising/</p> <p>A further resource could be:</p> <p>The Decolonise Keele Network (DKN), a consortium of staff and students, are working at the grass-roots level to embed DTC within Schools. DKN have been very active and instrumental in furthering the DTC agenda here at Keele and numerous members of the group have been invited to speak at other institutions about their work.</p> <p>Our strategy is to ensure that all Schools within the University are actively engaging with the DTC work through the creation of bespoke DTC action plans. These plans are being formulated by student-staff working groups and will form the basis of the DTC work in each School.</p> <p>Further topics for workshops – noted as a prompt for future discussions. Degree inflation and what to do about it?</p> <p>The March 2023 item was not discussed at this meeting, so will be picked up in 2022. 3rd March 2023 & possible conference in May 2023 – Venue TBC The Impact of AI and digital technology – are we preparing our students for their career journeys?</p>	<p>LW</p> <p>ALL</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Treasurers Update</p> <p>Discussed membership and follow up emails. Joan has forwarded the letter to send. All committee members need to follow up on contact list (in Treasurers report) – need to follow up. Treasurers report circulated prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Bank balance £39,617.46, approx. £9k committed to bursaries – but no further monies spent at this time. Report submitted to committee. David preparing accounts for BAFA at the end of the year.</p> <p>SJ/DT to meet to agree the current way forward re managing the G-Suite for electronic payments – this needs to be followed up and actioned.</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>DT</p> <p>SJ/DT</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>Bursary Call</p> <p>Based on financial position we discussed offering bursaries again in 2022.</p> <p>Given current circumstances there are still several previous bursaries ongoing that have required extensions. Give them a further 9 months to spend funds. Hafez has agreed to lead on Bursaries, instead of Joan.</p> <p>4 bursaries x £2,000 each would be the base level available. Joan amending the call for applications and to send to Hafez for checking etc. Launch in March 2022 – put call out in next BAFA newsletter, for submission deadline at end of May 31st.</p> <p>Add link to CDAF webpage in March. SJ to add to latest newsletter.</p>	<p>HA</p> <p>SA</p> <p>SJ</p>

8.	<p>Professional Bodies Update</p> <p>Contact has been made with all the professional bodies and further conversations will be had with regards sponsorship (use of facilities) and other areas for development.</p>	PJohal/LW
9.	<p>AOB</p> <p>Discussed the vacancies on the committee, which will need to be advertised in the new year. SJ to compile table showing status of all committee members.</p>	SJ
10.	<p>Date of next Committee Meeting FRIDAY 18th February 09.30- 11.00 via Zoom</p> <p>https://swanseauniversity.zoom.us/j/99194481300?pwd=TU5ra0hJK0RWd0w5cjBGVk0wZWg4QT09</p> <p>Meeting ID: 991 9448 1300 Passcode: 526013</p>	
	Meeting closed at 11.30	