

**Minutes of the meeting held on  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2008  
at 6.30pm at The Chelsea Arts Club**

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**Present:**

David Le Lay	(Chairman)	DLeL
Allan Baird		AD
Ralph Carpenter		RC
Véronique Desprésaux		VD
Johnny Devas		JD
Charles Dorin		CD
Charles MacCallum		CMacC
Cedric Mitchell		CM
Derek Montefiore		DM
Howard Nash		HN
Barbara Potter		BP
Mark Potter		MP
Julian St Leger		JStL
Robin Wood		RW

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| 1.0 Apologies for absence:<br>Andrew Arrol, Tony Hickman, John Roake, Jean Symons,<br>Edward Taylor   |               |
| 2.0 The minutes of the last meeting<br>held on 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2008 were approved and signed by DLeL.   |               |
| 3.0 Matters arising   |               |
| 3.1 Item 5.1. - CMacC confirmed that he has had a meeting with Jessica Holland.   | Note          |
| 3.2 Item 5.4 – DLeL has sent invitation to Laurence Auer for 1908 lecture and to be guest of honour in Jersey. No reply to date. DLeL will phone, depending on reply invite French Consul to be guest of honour.  | <b>DLeL</b>   |
| 3.3 Item 8.1 – DLeL had received a letter of thanks from Tony Brandreth that was read out at the meeting.   | Note          |
| 4.0 Secretary General   |               |
| 4.1 <b>Minutes of the joint meeting in London on 14<sup>th</sup> March:</b> minutes are outstanding and HN confirmed that they would be issued before the joint meeting in Jersey. Noted that early distribution of minutes would allow committee members to complete actions before the next meeting and limit the re-opening of decisions that have been agreed previously. | <b>AH</b>     |
| 4.2 <b>Website:</b> HN has received French membership list and has forwarded it to David Campion for downloading onto the website. MP to give URL address.  | <b>MP</b>     |

- 4.3 **Trombinoscope:** will be available electronically in downloadable format for individual printing, probably 1/6 A4. MP targets completion prior to the Jersey reunion. **MP**
- 4.4 **Membership Secretary:** MP confirmed as Membership Secretary. **Note**
- 4.5 **Bursary funding:** following the DLeL & JD meeting with Paul Pritchard, the proposal to donate £10k to the bursary fund is going before the board of Urban Living (part of St James Group) on Friday. DLeL is not too hopeful, but if successful, it will encourage the French section to seek match funding. **DLeL**
- 4.6 **FBUA Chelsea Bursary:** DLeL circulated updated proposed Bursary conditions. After discussion further modifications and actions were agreed:
- Timetable: proposed timetable to advertise post in April is tight, and agreed that the post should be advertised after the Jersey Congress, rather than wait until April '09, with target start in September '08. **DLeL**
  - Conditions would be reviewed after the experience of the first year of operation. **DLeL**
  - Travel expenses: DLeL to propose to Paul Davis that travel expenses to the interview in London should be covered for each of the four candidates. **DLeL**
  - Noted that the French section enthusiastic about the bursary and would like to reciprocate, although it was acknowledged that it might be more difficult in France as the architectural practices are generally smaller in Paris than London. **Note**
  - DLeL to forward updated conditions to French section and obtain their comments and agreement prior to the joint meeting in Jersey. **DLeL**
- 4.7 **2009 Reunion Bourges:** The dates are confirmed as 21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> May 2009. **Note**
- 5.0 **Hon Treasurer's report**
- 5.1 **Financial Statement:** CM tabled the attached financial statement as at 15<sup>th</sup> April 2008. CM and DLeL were congratulated on controlling the expenses of the March joint committee and even making a slight profit. **Noted**
- 6.0 **Education**
- 6.1 **2008 Bursary**
- CMacC reported that three enquiries were received, and one application was submitted by a Third Year Cambridge student. CMacC followed up references with the Head of School, thesis supervisor and his studio master. Nash and MacCullum have since met with the student, and his application has now been forwarded for comment to the French members of the Bursary Committee. The proposed subject is visual study of space related to the fashion industry in Paris, and the interface between architecture and fashion. The student will prepare an illustrated report including building plans. HN & CD have met the applicant. VD to pass on Paris fashion contacts to CMacC. **VD**

- 7.0 **Jersey Reunion, 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> May 2008**
- 7.1 **Attendance:** response has been good with 34 British and 35 French members and partners. **Note**
- 7.2 **Guidebook:** CD is preparing a guidebook in A5 format. **CD**
- 7.3 **Newsletter:** CD to pass information to CM as basis for newsletter. CD to obtain copies of sketches drawn during the reunion. **CD**
- 7.4 **Coaches:** DLeL confirmed that he has booked two large coaches rather than a series of mini-coaches to save cost and simplify 'herding'. MP to organise volunteer 'sheepdogs' from the delegates. **MP**
- 7.5 **Attendance list:** there was general agreement to circulate the provisional attendance list with the meeting minutes. **JD**
- 8.0 **Membership**
- 8.1 **Committee membership:**  
 Anthony St Leger has accepted the request to become a committee member. **Note**  
 Julian St Leger has resigned from the committee after many years of membership. He will attend the next meeting to introduce Anthony.
- 8.2 **FBUA membership**
- John Harris's obituary was in the Times of 22<sup>nd</sup> March. HN will say a few words at the Jersey meeting. **HN**
  - Jolly Rigby Lee has recently died after a long illness. JD to say a few words at the Jersey meeting. **JD**
  - Richard Griffin has applied for membership. MP to forward application to the Committee. **MP**
  - MP to send details of new members to JD and bring their membership medals to Jersey. **MP**
- 9.0 **AOB**
- 9.1 **London joint meeting:** the meeting congratulated DLeL on organising a very successful joint meeting, and JD for his lecture on the 1908 Franco-British Exhibition. DLeL reported positive feedback from the lecture including requests of articles for publication.

### **Future Meetings 2008**

- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2008 Reunion, Jersey
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 6.30 pm British Committee, Chelsea Arts Club
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 6.30 pm British Committee, Chelsea Arts Club
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2008, joint committee meeting, Paris
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 6.30 pm British Committee, Chelsea Arts Club

### **Attachments**

- Hon Treasurer's Reports
- Provisional Jersey Reunion attendance list

**Distribution:**

Andrew Arrol  
Allan Baird  
Ronald Biggins  
Patrick Campbell-Jones  
Ralph Carpenter  
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