

Minutes of the meeting of the British Section Committee of the Franco British Union of Architects held on Thursday 25th November 2015 at 6.00pm at 3-5 Bleeding Heart Yard, London EC1N 8SJ

Present:

Ralph Carpenter (President)	RC	Patrick Manwell	PM
Yasmin Shariff (Sec)	YS	Derek Montefiore	DM
Tom Ryland (Past President)	TR	Howard Nash	HN
Alan Baird	AB	Mark Potter	MP
Stephen Bradley	SB		
Charles Dorin	CD	Brendan Woods	BW

1 Apologies

David LeLay, Cedric Mitchell, Michael Morrison, Johnny Devas, Tony Hickman, Jean Symons

2 The Minutes of the Last Meeting

Minutes were approved.

3 Matters Arising

See below

4 Education

4.1 (4.2,2) The new FBUA Loyd-Davis bursary has been organised as a tutored weekend, 18-20th March in Cambridge. Brendan Woods will be leading the weekend for up to 6 students- three from each country.

Elaine Yeung launched a campaign to publicise the bursary on 23 Nov 2015. Details are up on the web site and have been sent to all heads of schools in the UK.

The Committee thank Mark and Brendan for their work. MP and BW will be organising a detailed programme for the weekend and report at the next committee meeting. **Action MP, BW**

All committee members are encouraged to publicise the bursary through their own networks. **Action All**

5 Finance

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- 5.1 (5.1) YS reported that she had had a message from CM to state that the accounts were unchanged from the last report in September 15.
- 5.2 (5.2) The Committee agreed to RC's suggestion to charge of E100 should be made for the March meeting.
- 5.3 (5.3) Reserves – it was felt that we should keep 15K in our reserve fund, or equivalent of 50% of reunion cost for disaster management. CM to work out reasonable level of reserve to hold **Action CM**

6 Membership

- 6.1 Patrick Manwell was welcomed as a new member of the Committee.
- 6.2 DM reported that Dr Judith Loach was interested in joining. YS said she would send her an application form. **Action YS**
- 6.2 DL to confirm if forms have been sent to Peter Baratt. **Action DL**

7 Website/ Newsletter

- 7.1 JD was not able to attend the meeting and the actions 7.2-7.4 below will be reported on at the next meeting:
- 7.2 CM is keen that there should be a Newsletters tab to allow quick access into that area of the website, both for him and for visitors to the site to get speedy access to our information **Action TR/JD**
- 7.3 Image at top of website needs to be updated – a new contemporary image , possibly of a Nantes building. JD agreed to tackle this. **Action JD**
- 7.4 JD confirmed Groupspaces area of site has minutes of British/French since 2007. HN to send JC copies of older minutes to upload. Also, any photos members want to load onto the site for use in newsletters should go into this area as there is loads of storage space and again JD agreed to manage this. **Action JD/HN**

8 Events

- 8.1 (8.1) Angus Gavin has agreed to give a lecture in March. Date, time and venue to be agreed. The Institution of Structural Engineers was put forward as a possible venue. **Action HN**
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8.2 RC reported that the arrangements for both the March meeting and Suffolk are going well. DL is trying to get access to the Leadenhall Building for the March meeting.

Action RC/DL

8.3. The October meeting in Paris was very successful with a visit to the remarkable Piano Building for Pathe News.

9 Future committee meetings

10 February 2016

6 April 2016

These are to be held at Yasmin's office which is 3 – 5 Bleeding Heart Yard, off Greville Street, Hatton Garden EC1N 8SJ and very close to Farringdon tube on Circle and Metropolitan lines. There is a French restaurant down below.

Next meeting date therefore to be **Wednesday 10 February at 6pm.**

YS will send out agenda and reminders two weeks before this.

10 FUTURE MEETING DATES

11/12 March 2016

Suffolk 5 – 8 May 2016

Distribution – Committee Members

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Also : *Francoise Mouton – Secretary to French Section*
