

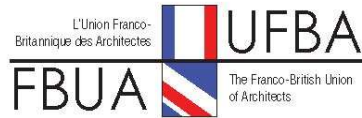


Minutes of the meeting of the British section of the Franco-British Union of Architects held at 18:30 on 2 December 2019 at the Oriental Club

Present:			
Yasmin Shariff	YS	Cedric Mitchell	CM
Allan Baird	AB	Robert Butterfield	RB
Patrick Manwell	PM	Stephen Bradley	SB
Ralph Carpenter	RC	Derek Montefiore	DM
Francis Graves	FG	Johnny Devas	JD
Ghada Al Madfai	GA	Michael Morrison	MM
EVENTS			
When	What	Where	Comment
Mon 10.02.2020	FBUA Committee	Oriental Club	agreed FBUA committee
20-21.03.2020	Jt Committee	TBA (London)	agreed Reunion
Tues 21.04.2020	FBUA Committee	Oriental Club	agreed FBUA committee
04-07.06.2020	Reunion Liverpool	TBA	agreed Reunion
Tues 30.06.2020	FBUA Committee	TBA	agreed FBUA committee
Tues 08.09.2020	FBUA Committee	TBA	agreed FBUA committee
9-10.10.2020	Jt Committee	TBA (Paris)	agreed Reunion
19-20.03.2021	Jt Centenary Committee	TBA (London)	agreed Reunion
1.0	APOLOGIES Charles Dorin (CD), Mark Potter (MP), Howard Nash (HN), Will Layzell (WL)		
2.0	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING Approved		
3.0	MATTERS ARISING Refer to Items below		
3.1	Current French Bursar: French student, Guillaume Delon had contacted JD who had offered assistance but had had no further contact.		
3.2	New members Pat Woodward had expressed an interest in joining but his subscription had not been received. CM & JD to check and confirm to RC who is to re-contact if necessary.		CM / JD RC



Present:			
4.0	LONDON JC MARCH 2020		
4.1	<p>March lecture Karusevic Carson (AB to contact) and Lacaton Vassal proposed to give alternative French and British views on Housing Regeneration. AB reported that unfortunately Lacaton Vassal are not available on the 20th March. Marie Christine proposed Virginie Lefebre Picon as an alternative. Her CV was circulated and concern was expressed that she may be too academic to bring the subject alive.</p> <p>As an alternative YS proposed a speaker from a group of seven French nurseries propagating trees for the urban context (doing landscaping for the Eiffel Tower). They might be possible sponsors, 1000 euros suggested. Gustafson, Porter & Bowman were suggested as doing similar work in the UK, Lucy Bullivant – YS to send link to AB</p> <p>RC also suggested he talk to Philippe Rivoirard about alternative French speakers. AB to talk to VM Zinc about sponsorship for this year.</p>	AB	YS / AB RC / AB AB
4.2	<p>March Building Visits GA suggested a visit to the RSA on the Embankment dating from the 1700s A visit to Battersea Arts Centre by Haworth Tomkins also suggested, could also eat there. Mark potter has a contact, AB to liaise. London Bridge Station (RIBA award winner) AB has contacts Alexandra Road 1970s housing by Neave Brown – David Potter to be asked by YS Blackfriars Station on the railway bridge – JD to enquire.</p>	GA/ AB AB / MP YS / AB JD / AB	
5.0	LIVERPOOL JUNE REUNIION JUNE 2020		
5.1	<p>Visits Everton - AB progressing. The proposal is a visit to the existing ground and a talk by one of the project team on what is proposed in central Liverpool (a visit to the site in central Liverpool is not likely to be very interesting as it is just a piece of cleared land)</p> <p>GA organising talk on the new Liverpool 1 project.</p> <p>YS suggested Tate Liverpool as a location for a talk.</p>	AB GA GA	
5.2	<p>Arrangements GA looking into double decker coach with 75 seats. Banquet in Lutyens Crypt – deposit paid (£1000 hire cost). PM to chase Andrew Hobson to make sure details have gone out to French members and issue new reminder to all members in new year. CD had offered to go to Liverpool to investigate eating options based around £30 per head - GA to brief. CM suggested the cost of the visit should be stated in Euros for French members to avoid currency losses. Suggested the cost should be broken down per day with the Banquet as a separate item so that members can select more limited attendance if desired, AB/GA to send publicity to Liverpool School of Architecture about the visit. Suggested the Head of School might be a guest at the banquet. AB/GA to circulate budget costings spreadsheet before the next meeting..</p>	GA PM GA / CD GA / AB GA / AB GA / AB	



Present:			
6.0	EDUCATION		
6.1	<p>Drawing Bursary To be w/e of 17/19 April 2019 in Toulouse - to be kept at 4 x UK and 4 x French students as this was felt to be a better group number. Budget proposed by Finance Committee of £4000 to be targeted made up of £3000 from the bursary fund and £500 contributed from each section (this year £4000 for eight students). Elaine had been instructed to circulate details to Schools of Architecture, previous Bursars and put on the website.</p>	RB / MP	
6.2	<p>Study Bursary – general UK section to replace bursary with annual lecture involving seeking sponsorship to supplement funds available and sharing event with RIBA West London Architects. The French are to continue seeking bursars as before and have a current bursar who will be looking into the use of plastics in the UK and France.</p>		
6.3	<p>Current UK Study Bursar Hannah Watkins: Project on disabled access to historic buildings in Britain and France to be presented at March Joint Committee meeting. Type of presentation to be decided by MP/RB.</p>	RB / MP	
6.4	<p>Previous Bursars as future membership MP had spoken to a number of members about setting up a group of previous bursars with whom MP would keep in touch. Agreed that he should bring forward details of his ideas to the next committee.</p>	MP	
7.0	FINANCE		
7.1	<p>Report CM presented report circulated prior to meeting. Noted that twelve people are still paying £15 (rather than £45). CM to chase up them up.</p>	CM	
7.2	<p>Trésorier Général Françoise Mouton had taken over the role at the October meeting. Finance committee established (to oversee the investment funds and disbursements from them) with membership consisting of the Trésorier Général, (FM) the two Hon.Treas's (CM & Alexandre Maneval) and CD (Secretary General).</p>		
7.3	<p>FBUA status CD investigating Charitable Status for FBUA and considering taking investments out of CAF and placing them with a private manager where charges would be reduced. A report to be presented to the J/C. All investment funds are currently held in the UK and inside CAF. Concerns were raised that being a Charity placed more onerous reporting requirements on the officers and this might prove inhibiting in the longer term. JD suggested Community Interest Company as an alternative status although this also involved reporting requirements. JD to discuss with CD.</p>	CD JD	
8.0	MEMBERSHIP		
8.1	<p>New Members Henry Squire (Michael Squire's son), CD to chase CFwd.</p>	CD	



Present:			
9.0	WEBSITE / GROUPSPACES / ARCHIVE		
9.1	Website Nothing to report.		
9.2	GroupSpaces Pre-meeting teach-in session held for those who did not have access to the management dashboard. The majority of committee members are now able to access and use this facility.		
9.3	Archive Current aim is to move HN’s archive to Paris at some point.		
10.0	2021 CENTENARY		
10.1	2021 Centenary Reunion to be in Paris. Something special in London J/C in March 2021. AB/GA with CD to progress. No further progress – see minutes of 10 th September for previous ideas. . CFwd.		CD / AB / GA
10.2	Centenary Postcards Suite of 12 no. images to be made into postcards for centenary. 6 English, 6 French . JD to PDF. CFwd.		JD
11.0	DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS AND VENUES		
11.1	Meeting Dates Listed at the start of the minutes		
11.2	Venues DM asked that other venues be considered and suggested a pub with an upstairs room or holding it in someone’s office. A location in West London was discussed but this would make attending meetings for those from outside London difficult who wanted to return home after the meeting. RB also suggested their office (Shepherd’s Bush) as a possible venue. A return to the RIBA also possible. PM to research. Noted that Francis Graves currently cannot attend meetings on Tuesdays due to Portsmouth Uni work commitments.		PM
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