**Argyll & Bute Outdoor & Woodland Learning Group**

**Meeting**

**Tuesday, 10th March, 2015**

**Inveraray Conference Centre**

**4.00 pm**

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| **Agenda Item** | **Minute** | **Action** |
| Welcome & apologies | Present: Anne Paterson, Elaine Jamieson, Aileen Watkins, Ross Preston, Sue Armour, Linda Leyland, Tara Coia, Fiona Hamilton  Apologies: Joyce Hawkins, Cathleen Russell, Julie Watson, Morag Duff |  |
| Minutes of Previous Meeting | Proposed: RP  Seconded: LL |  |
| Matters Arising | SALi – Outdoor Learning tab doesn’t seem to be working | **AP** – to email all schools a reminder that tab exists & ask  AP to remind Wendy Brownlie to contact AW & check tab working  AW to arrange a link to OWL website |
| FCS contribution to OWL | £1k grant is available. | **EJ** will speak to Helen Watt to see if she will release the money to generally support OL through OWL group. |
| Funding & Charitable status  (Elaine/Ross) | EJ confirmed A&B’s funding contribution .  Neil Urquhart will look into our group using Stramash’s charitable status.  There is a possibility of asking the Countryside Trust to apply for funding on our behalf. Julie Young is the local contact. EJ is a trustee. | AP to ask Maggie McLay to forward constitution with partner logos to FH. RP, EJ to send Maggie their logos.  MD to update group at next meeting. |
| “Taking Learning Outdoors”  (Aileen) | 4 schools attended today’s training.  All have had one visit (with up to 100 children benefitting from one school alone)  Some schools will focus on certain classes, then cascade, other schools are taking a whole school approach.  All schools progressing well.  All schools have two or three more visits. |  |
| Outdoor Learning/10th Anniversary Event  16th May | Simon Beames, Gordon McLelland aren’t available for keynote speaking.  Theme for the day is “Journeys’” with aim of showing Cluster Group’s journey and helping other set out on their own OL journey.  Group to produce timeline  Format for day:  9.30 – 10.15 – welcome and keynote  10.20 Practical (2x 45 min)  12 noon Lunch & Market Place  1.30 Practical (2 x 40 min  3.00 Question-time Panel  Suggestions for workshops:  Technologies (photography), Heritage (Social Sciences – Tara) Pilot Schools (supported by Ross & Morag) | **AP** will contact Simon Beames’ colleague.  **EJ** will look for her timeline powerpoint and update  **JW** – organise Drovers display for market place  **RP** to contact Philip Pryce  (photography) & let AP know  **All** to think about workshops and communicate by email to AW.  **AP** to speak to Don McAllister to speak about how workshop activities link to Significan Aspects of Learning  **AP** will put out advance notification to schools. Flyer and booking form to be sent after Easter holidays. |
| OWL Scotland Launch  24th April  Edinburgh | RP – presenting 10 min & delivering workshop.  FH & LL attending |  |
| AOCB | OWLS Chairs meeting in Dunkeld– RP might attend.  Community Woodland Association – RP attended workshop yesterday. Pete from Barbuie Woodland interested in joining cluster  Beach School – basic qualification being offered in England. Three day course, that people may be using as short-cut to doing Forest School. Message needs to be got out that undertaking this course does not qualify participants to deliver FS. | RP – pass on Pete’s email to FH. |
| DONM | **Monday, 20th April. 4.30 pm ICC.** |  |