



ADULT TRAINING TEAM FOR WALES

The Minutes of the meeting of The Adult Training Team for Wales held on 6th March 2009 at Builth Wells High School.

PRESENT	Sue Ryan	Chairperson/Commissioner Wales
	Lynn Thompson	CATVOG
	Andrea Soulsby	Mid Glamorgan
	Linda Neale	Eryri a Mon
	Tamsin Harrison-Royle	Clwyd
	Linda Owen	Carmarthenshire
	Margaret Hodgetts	Gwent
	Midge McGee	Ceredigion
	Ann Gratrix	Glamorgan West
	Sybil Jones	Radnorshire
	Maureen Lowe	Brecknock
	Mike Rowe	Pembrokeshire
	Donna Kerrigan	HQ representative
	Mike Kerrigan	HQ representative
APOLOGIES	Fay Harding-Lewis	Secretary

PART ONE – RECOMMENDATIONS

1. As many Areas are not able to run a programme of Management Modules, it was agreed that a weekend covering such Modules should be held in early 2011. The weekend would hopefully attract some 20-30 participants and would be offered to all Commissioners (Wales, Area and District) and Group Scout Leaders. Areas would be expected to pay towards the cost of the event. It was, therefore, agreed that a Project proposal be submitted to ScoutsWales to seek support for this event.
2. Since the introduction of the Adult Training Scheme some 7 years ago there had not been an event for Training Advisers. It was felt that as many changes had taken place during this time and that there is a wealth of 'good practice' to be shared amongst those holding the appointment, a Training Advisers' Conference should be held either in the Autumn of 2010 or May/June 2011.

PART TWO – MINUTES OF THE MEETING

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Sue opened the meeting and welcomed everyone including Mike and Donna Kerrigan from Headquarters.

The Blue Book was issued to all present.

At this stage Mike Kerrigan gave a presentation on **Growing and Motivating Trainers**. During the session we all had the opportunity to take part in some project work which gave us different ideas to work with. Lively discussion took place with the exchange of good practice already happening in Wales.

After Mike's presentation, Donna took over and brought us up to date with what is happening in Training at headquarters. She gave a comprehensive report which included:

- The following Modules are being/have been updated:
 - Module 1 – DVD and e learning to be updated.
 - Module 30 – update imminent
 - Modules 14/15 – update ongoing
 - Modules 14 (to be renamed Grow your Section) and 21 (probably renamed Developing the Movement).
 - Module 19 – update imminent
 - Module 16 (probably renamed Introduction to Residential Experiences), and
 - Module 38 (new Module – Skills for Residential Experiences).
- Website being updated with Scouts.org and ScoutBaseUK being merged.
- ATMs were advised to e mail Sam Marks at Gilwell if they wanted to know about the Module 16.
- Discussion took place on Factsheets saying that it is not always easy to find them. Also some had been withdrawn but these are not listed anywhere. Team members were advised to check that Factsheets are still available before advising participants on Modules to download them.
- Management training is being reviewed with a view to making it a 'whole' rather than individual Modules.
- Some concerns about Backpack were expressed and members are asked to e mail Sue with any concerns or ideas for the improvement of Backpack.
- A new leaflet to promote training is to be available soon.
- Sue thanked Donna and Mike for joining us for what was a very productive meeting. The team felt happy that HQ is taking on board comments from 'grass roots' Trainers.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were noted as above.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2009 were signed.

4. MATTERS ARISING

- The team was divided as to the attendance of Training Administrators so we decided that if an ATM wanted to bring their Administrator with them then that would be OK provided that Sue knows in advance. It was felt that this would be an opportunity for the exchange of good practice for Administrators and should this 'catch on' then we would need to formalise the arrangement through ScoutsWales.

- Garfield Weston – A balance sheet will be available at the November meeting. Claims for January-April should be submitted in April. Clarification was requested as to when the last payment will be made or do we make other claims in June?
- Area Commissioner from CATVOG sat on the Panel for the appointment of a LDO in Glamorgan West.
- Agreed that the project on simplified Modules be discontinued as HQ is reviewing many Modules.

5. ALL WALES EVENTS

- *All Wales Beaver Scout Leaders Conference* is being held on 17 April at Llandrindod. Those who have agreed to attend are Lynn, Ann, Margaret and Linda. If possible to bring one or two TA's with them. Sue will prepare material for display. ATM's to contact BSLs in their Area to highlight the fact that we will be at the Conference and that they can bring along any evidence they have in order to get their training validated. Sue will not be available (at Gilwell – honest!).
- *All Wales Scout Camp* at Builth Wells on 19 June – details to be confirmed nearer the time. Sue will contact Alan Davies to see whether it would be useful to have a couple of TA's at Blackwell Court for the Scout Forum meeting.
- *The Cub Scout Skills Day* **will not** be taking place.
- We revisited the need to provide an All Wales Management Training weekend and decided that as some Areas do not have the resources to run these Modules themselves that we would go ahead and try and organise something in the Spring of 2011. A recommendation is to be made to ScoutsWales.
- It was suggested that we look at the possibility of holding a Training Advisers' Conference, maybe later on this year. Since the introduction of the Adult Training Scheme there had been no opportunity for TAs to meet in order to exchange good practice. It is hoped that if this goes ahead that we could invite members of HQ to support the event.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Local issues in Wales –Area Training Reports were circulated at beginning of meeting with the following being highlighted:
 - Child Protection course – West Glamorgan have run this and had a very positive feedback. The new name of selected person will be known as Safeguarding Awareness Co-ordinator.
 - CATVOG – Modules 25 and 37 were run again. First residential weekend to be run next week.
 - West Glamorgan – 19 participants completed Module 21
 - Gwent – Module 29 (Presenting) to be run on 7th March
 - Eryri a Mon – Child Protection course well attended. Struggling with Modules 1 and 3 on a regular basis.
 - Mid Glamorgan – Module 37 has been run, validations to be completed. 30 participants attended Module 16 in April. Just recruited a new Local Training Manager.

- Ceredigion – Young Leaders Training, all 17 who took part enjoyed it. Trying to get TAs to run and validate Modules 1 and 3. Anybody who can't attend modules are being guided through the e-learning.
 - Pembrokeshire – Over the last 12 months there has been a good influx of new leaders. A successful workshop for Executive members was run. Modules 1 and 3 are being run and validated by Training Advisers.
 - Radnorshire – Quiet at the moment. There is however, hope of a new ATM within the near future.
- Training Calendars for many Areas are now included in the ScoutsWales website.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Team Meetings - Saturday 13th November 2010

Sue thanked everyone present and the meeting closed at 3.17 pm.

CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE : _____

DATE: _____