

Planning meeting to prepare for the Third Sector Meeting with Kirsty Williams AM, Cabinet Secretary for Education

Monday 5 September 2017
1:30– 3:30pm

WCVA, Baltic House, Cardiff

Minutes

Attendance:

Judith Stone	-	WCVA (Chair)
Catrin James	-	Urdd Gobaith Cymru/CWVYS
Uzo Iwobi	-	Race Council Cymru
Daniella David	-	Race Council Cymru
Denise Inger	-	Snap Cymru
Lynne Hill	-	Children in Wales
Rebecca Falvey	-	Business in the Community
Kathryn Robson	-	Adult Learning Wales
Philip Manghan	-	Interfaith Council for Wales
Paul Glaze	-	CWVYS
Rocio Cifuentes	-	EYST
Janie Pridham	-	Size of Wales
Martin Pollard	-	WCIA
Hayden Llewellyn	-	EWC
Fiona Harris	-	WCVA

Apologies

Pam Boyd	-	Cast Cymru
Andrea Meyrick	-	Techniquet
Rhian Connick	-	BFWI
Tara Jane Sutcliffe	-	Una exchange
Rebecca Falvey	-	BiTC
Ann Woods	-	WACVC
Aliya Mohammed	-	Race Equality First
Clair Brick	-	Siawns Teg

1. Welcome and introductions

JS welcomed everyone and introductions were made. JS outlined the purpose of the meeting.

2. Minutes and actions from the last planning & Cab Sec Meeting

JS talked through the notes and actions from the Cab Sec meeting on 02.03.17 explaining that she had followed up the actions when she met with WG officials earlier in May.

Members again raised the issue of the lack of representation from the BAME/International sector in the Curriculum Stakeholder Groups. JS noted that she had a conversation with WG officials to raise the issue but UI noted that WG had not been in contact. PM felt that

there was still time for discussions as he felt that there was a long lead in time and that there was slow and steady progress

JS talked through the notes from the last planning meeting held on 22.05.17, noting that there had been many actions and lots of information/links circulated in emails. Members thought it would be helpful to have a page with all the resources listed on one place which could be circulated to networks.

JS noted that there had been no input of resources to the spreadsheet which could be uploaded on the Hwb. Members noted that many resources were in English only and so would not be accepted as all resources had to be available in a bilingual format. JS talked about building translation costs into future project costs. Members also noted concerns about sharing resources which had potential sale benefits. MP noted that KA's offer to film short vox pop was still open if members wished to take this up. JS talked about the third sector support for WG to facilitate/market events and agreed to follow this up again with WG

Actions:

- **JS to contact Claire Habberfield, WG re third sector representation on SSG**
- **JS to contact WG re regional events**
- **JS to compile a list of resources for members to disseminate**
- **FH to amend notes of last planning meeting to reflect KA organisation**

3. Presentation by Hayden Llewellyn, EWC's Work Programme and joint working with third sector

HL talked through his presentation noting that there was now registration for Youth workers and confirming that groups/individuals that went into school did not need to be registered. IO raised concerns about how registration captured information around skills, explaining that many teachers did not have the experience or skills to deal with racism/hate crime issues. HL confirmed that EWC was trying to assess a base line for qualifications but it was proving difficult as there were so many qualifications. He agreed that when doing surveys EWC could include questions around the areas of concern.

Members noted that many of their concerns were also the concerns of EWC and raised the possibility of presenting these jointly at future Cab Sec meetings. HL agreed to further dialogue around this issue. HL also mentioned that the current Council came to an end in March 2019 and there would be 14 places for a term of 4 years. It is possible to nominate more than one person and half the places available are direct opportunities.

Members raised issues around teacher training. HL confirmed that for the first time EWC was accrediting programmes but that the criteria were owned by WG and the opportunity to influence had passed. Members discussed the issue of CPD and HL confirmed there was currently no requirement for CPD apart from FE lecturers but that a conversation was needed with WG re the issue. There was accreditation of professional programmes but only for school teachers. HL noted that EWC had contact with all those registered and sent newsletters which received good hit rates. He offered to circulate appropriate messages from to the sector there was also a blog that could be utilised.

Members were concerned that if teachers were already overwhelmed with work then they would have little time for CPD and effective ways of engaging with them were needed. HL

talked about an annual lecture event, policy briefings and the potential for more collaboration with the sector. He agreed to attend the next meeting with EWC's Policy Manager. JS raised the possibility of setting up a working group to explore mutual areas of work.

Actions:

- **JS to contact EWC Policy Manager to identify a suitable communication mechanism to convey third sector input around supporting the education workforce to tackle racist bullying and promote inclusion in schools, possibly through a joint event, conference, policy briefing, webinar or Twitter hour.**
- **JS to establish a task and finish group to progress.**
- **HL to send details of the criteria for accreditation for circulation to the group**

4. Possible agenda items and for next Cabinet Secretary Meeting

JS explained that the Ambitious & Learning Strategy had not yet been published and so felt that having the next Cab Sec meeting in October was too early. JS noted that WG had agreed to attend the next meeting to discuss the new strategy. JS asked members if they felt the Cab Sec meeting should be postponed and members agreed.

Members again raised the issues around racism/bullying/hate crimes post brexit and asked how the work of the group fitted in with the paper produced by EHRCo. JS confirmed that the Education Planning Group would lead on work and report back to EHRCo.

MP felt it was important to keep alive the idea of running third sector events possibly with EWC endorsement. JS felt members should send details of their events/conferences/training so EWC could use them as a resource. PM asked for a report back on curriculum development and JS agreed to include it as an agenda item. It was agreed to hold another planning group when the Ambitious & Learning Strategy had been published.

Actions:

- **JS to contact WG to get new date for Cab Sec meeting**
- **Members to send FH details of conferences/events/training for EWC**
- **FH to arrange date for planning meeting after publication of Ambitious & Learning Strategy**

5. AOB

IO talked about activities during Black History Month and the opportunity for member to book stalls at any of the events being held across Wales. Launch Event will be in the Pierhead Building on 29.09.17 and the finale in the WMC on 29.10.17

No other business was recorded and the meeting closed.