

Preston Cooperative Education Centre

Directors' Meeting

Monday 20th September at 5.00pm

Meeting Minutes

Present

Andrew Birchall, Julian Manley, Cilla Ross, Janet Newsham, Mick Mckeown

Apologies

None

Minutes of the last meeting

All agreed

Extending invite to others for our meetings

- We've got to distinguish between the meetings to which we invite new people.
- Maybe we should organise an extraordinary meeting that would be relevant to the person invited.
- We can organise a roundtable event and invite people for different discussions.

Action:

- Organise a separate meeting on Race and Inclusivity in 2-3 weeks.
- Alina to send a doodle poll.
- Alina to create a Google doc for discussion topics.

Finances

- UCLan will transfer money on Wednesday, and it should appear on PCEC's bank account by Friday.

Employing a Consultant

- Co-ops UK can help with governance for £100.
- Bob Cannel is open-minded, honest and creative and can help with governance and business plan and might do a better job than Co-ops UK.

Action: All agreed Andy will contact Bob to find out if he would be willing to help with governance and business plan and how much he'll charge.

Funding, OSF Preston City Council Bid, Lottery Bid.

- OSF bid for Preston City Council has gone in.
- Growing Great Ideas Lottery Bid is a great bid, as long as we are a not-for-profit organisation. We shall decide that we are not-for-profit and have a clause written into our constitution. We need to pay FCA to add it to our constitution.
- We can't apply if we are a school. Cilla agrees we aren't a school.

Action:

- Andy to ask Dave how much it'll cost to add the not-for-profit clause into our constitution.
- Set up a separate group for the bid planning and organise a meeting.

Course development

- Not much progress has been done since the last meeting.

Action:

- Have a meeting in 2 weeks' time to make more progress

Website and promotion

Action: Alina to start working on a simple website as soon as the money comes in.

Membership

Action: Andy to start promoting membership in labour unions.

Next Meeting

Monday 18th October, 5pm