Furness Branch Committee Meeting

Location: The Custom House, Barrow in Furness

Date: 09/12/2015

Attendees:

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<td>Innovia Films</td>
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Apologies: Andy Payne, Mike Miles, Mike Meehan, Ian Crawshaw

Reference:

Issue: Draft

I. Agenda

- Apologies - NT
- Previous Minutes/Actions - NT
- Matters arising - JM
- Updates from CIPS - MF
- Local Engagement update – JM/MF
- Marketing and Communication activity – MG
- Student Engagement update - LW
- Future Plans, Activities and Events – All
- Successes/Failures/Improvements - All

II. Minutes

- Apologies received from Mike Miles, Mike Meehan, Andy Payne, Ian Crawshaw.
- Minutes from 05 August 2015 agreed as correct.
- Action plan: Calendar of events to be revised to include committee meetings and branch events.
- **Financials**: New budget of £1200 agreed for forthcoming year allowing for 4 events. Abbey House spend (July 2015) to be added to Action Plan for historical completeness.
- **CIPS Congress and Branch Chairs Conference, 12 November 2015** reviewed (Appendix 1).
- **Local Engagement Update**:
  i. BAES presence in Emlyn Hughes Building, Barrow in Furness – CIPS Academy detail shared.
  ii. Movement to Work – using this as a vehicle to promote the Academy and procurement professionalism too.
  iii. Walney School – successful visit undertaken on 07 December 2015 and Walney are keen to progress the ‘Adopt a School’ scheme further.
- **Marketing and Communication**:
  i. Social media remains constant – 54 LinkedIn members; 29 Facebook members and 23 Twitter followers.
  ii. All platforms being used to advertise events and to allow members to comment.
- **Student Engagement**:
  i. Walney School attended 07 December 2015 and met with Emma Gill (Deputy Head and Career Co-ordinator). School keen to progress the ‘Adopt a School’.
  ii. Opportunities to engage with Walney:
    - Skillsfest (30 January 2016 tbc) potential for a CIPS stand
    - Key Stage 4 assembly potential for a ‘my story’ presentation to year 10 and 11 pupils. Date TBC.
    - Year 9 Options Evening. Date TBC.
    - Mock interviews for year 11 pupils. Date TBC.
    - Year 11 Parents Evening 2016. Date TBC.
  iii. Opportunity to approach Furness College. Furness College used to run CIPS courses.
  iv. Confirmation that Hayley Jordan will be liaison with Dallam School, Milnthorpe, Cumbria.
• Future Plans, Activities and Events:
  i. Timetable of Events for 2016

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• Successes – Reflection
  i. We’re still together!
  ii. All events held in the last period.

• Disappointments – Reflection
  i. October event at GSK not proceeding as planned
  ii. Fellows event at BAE not proceeding as planned
  iii. Main CIPS events held too far away for Cumbria members

• AOB:
  i. Increasing interest in the Branch within the region explored – ACTION: JM to issue a letter to as many of the local businesses as possible to generate interest in a conversation about upskilling the region and then in getting involved.
  ii. MF suggested the opportunity for an FEDF event where suppliers could attend. NW Evening Mail to be approached for an article. ACTION: MF

III. Actions
  • JM to issue letter to local businesses on upskilling the region.
  • MF to explore FEDF future event.
  • MMe to confirm Driveline venue availability for 16 March 2016 committee meeting.
  • ALL Confirm event participation/organisation and anyone wishing to support an event please advise NT asap.

IV. Next Meeting
  • 16 March 2016. Driveline (ACTION: MMe to confirm venue available)
Appendix 1

CIPS Congress and Branch Chairs' Conference, 12 November 2015, Crowne Plaza
Birmingham NEC

Furness Branch attendees: Ian Robinson FCIPS, North of England Congress; Mike Farrnworth MCIPS, Vice Chair/Treasurer; Lydia Waltes, Education Officer

Conference major themes – David Noble

- Ethics, slavery, labour
- Mandation – ‘increasing focus’
- Extension of CIPS and professional procurement across the world – ‘strengthening’
- Membership, ‘fraud’ and benchmarks

Supply Chain Assurance – Andrew

- Alignment and refreshment of standards – company and supply chain risk
- Group led by David Window – MJF has volunteered to support

Education – Amanda O’Brien

- Cost focus – paper-based exams very expensive
- Complexity of languages
- Need to preserve integrity of qualification

Web/Marketing Content & Voice of the Profession – Cath Hill

- Realignment of media – Redactive fired, and moved to Haymarket
- Initiatives to improve knowledge and communication
- Budget process fraught (but not for us, just Wolverhampton, it seems!)
- Restraint on events not popular

Congress Feedback

- Regular Congress updates to be established
- Help for inactive branches to be provided
- Most criticism is of Congress
- Debate between ‘Chartered Status’ and ‘Licence to Practice’ needs to be resolved
- What engagement level is acceptable (with the profession/institute)

Profession of Choice

- ‘Be a Buyer’ – further collateral has been developed
- Routes to MCIPS entry to be better publicised; ‘starter to Chartered’
- School, placements, career, courses – specialist degree or generalist
- Action plan to be developed by region
- Do what you can – the support is there from the centre

MJF/8.12.2015
Nikki Bell (Congress Chair) feedback –

- Challenge is there to get 'bang for the buck' in the Procurement community
- Honour, privilege to work for the Congress of the Institute
- Want to encourage debate: challenges facing the profession, not just tactical debate
- Has actively sought to challenge chairs of each of the Institute’s bodies – GBT, CIPS, Congress
- Job not complete – please re-elect me!