Scottish Parliament

Cross Party Group on China

Tuesday 4 November 2014, 6.00 - 7.30 pm

Committee Room 1, Scottish Parliament

Convener

Graham Pearson MSP

MSPs

Jamie McGrigor MSP

Speakers

Nigel Fong, Swiss-Sure HK, Hong Kong Scotland Education Connection
Patrick O'Kane, Morrison's Academy, Hong Kong Scotland Education Connection

Secretary

Dr Judith McClure, Convener of the Scotland China Education Network

Members

Nigel Archdale, former UK and International School Principal; Educational Consultant

Chin-Hsiu Chang, Master's student, University of Leipzig

Dr Roger Collins, Honorary Fellow, University of Edinburgh

Carole Couper, PhD Researcher, University of Glasgow

Robert Dalzell, Quality Improvement Officer, North Lanarkshire Council

Adam Rhys Doidge MSYP, East Lothian and International Relations

Dr Meryl James, Senior Development Officer, SCILT

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Councillor Eoghann MacColl, East Ayrshire Council

Jim McColm, Sounding board at Panda Modium China / Scotland Solutions, Ayr

Judith McKerrecher, Professional Development Officer, CISS

Wing-Sie Ng, Individual Interpreter

Wing-Yan Ng, Member of the Scottish Youth Parliament (Edinburgh Central)

Douglas Scott, Senior Policy Advisor, Scottish Borders Council

Dr Jim Scott, University of Dundee

Ed Thomson, Programme Director, Asia Scotland Institute

Iain Valentine, Director of Strategic Innovations and Giant Panda Project, RZSS

Kate Walker, UK Regional Education Lead, British Council Scotland

Lucy Young, Head of Education, British Council Scotland

AGENDA

- 1 Welcome from the Convener, Graeme Pearson MSP
- 2 Apologies
- 3 Minutes of the Meeting of 13 August 2014 attached
- 4 Matters Arising
 - Presentation by Dr Jim Scott: response by Mr Michael Russell MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Lifelong Learning, to the Convener's letter
- 5 Review of Progress with Scotland's Strategy for Stronger Engagement with China, 2013-2017 circulated

The Cross Party Group on China reviewed progress with Scotland's China Strategy in November 2013 see CPG Minutes 28 November 2013

- Discussion of action following the presentation and questionnaire of Claudia Beamish MSP and Mary Fee MSP, asking how businesses from Scotland engaging in China ensure that the rights of workers and migrant workers are respected.
- Nigel Fong of Swiss-Sure HK will speak of The Wilson Trail and of his new project linking schools in Hong Kong and Scotland. He will be accompanied by Patrick O'Kane from Morrison's Academy
- 8 Members of the SCEN Youth Committee will describe the outcomes of the SCEN Ambassadors' Conference, held in partnership with the Confucius Institute for Scotland in the Playfair Library, University of Edinburgh, 29 September 2014
- **9** Updates from Members
- 10 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Cross Party Group on China will be held on **Thursday 29 January 2015** in the Scottish Parliament

- There will be a presentation by Lord Wilson of Tillyorn KT GCMG FRSE, former Governor of Hong Kong
- Report by Graeme Pearson MSP on his participation in the UK-China Leadership Forum, the 8th in an annual series that began in

2007, Wednesday 26th - Friday 28th November in Shanghai. The theme: Building the UK-China Partnership for Growth, Reform and Innovation, with a special focus on China's new Free Trade Zones.

• Please note that this meeting will begin promptly at 5.30 pm and end at 7.00 pm to allow members of CBBC to attend its Chinese Burns Supper.