

## LANGS Meeting: Fri 10<sup>th</sup> June 2016

### University of Dundee

Chair: Ann Robertson

Present and apologies: See attached list

Minutes: Judith Boulton-Jones

#### **1. Apologies and welcome to new members**

#### **2. Minutes of previous meeting:**

- a. Correct record, proposed and seconded
- b. No matters arising

#### **3. Introduction by Ann Robertson**

- Feedback given from last meeting. Positive response to new format of meetings.
- Themes for future meetings as follows:  
Oct '16: Teacher Training  
Jan '17: Learning and Teaching Languages e.g. CLIL  
June '17: Progression and transitions
- The new name for COALA is Languages Network Group Scotland (LANGS)

#### **4. Key National Messages**

##### **Update from Scottish Government – Toria Fraser**

- There is funding for session 2016/17
- Proposals for funding are with the Cabinet Secretary
- Hope to reach conclusion shortly
- The spending review will set funds for 3 years
- SCILT to get the same funding for session 2016/17 as last session

##### **Update from Education Scotland – Louise Glen**

- Materials have been migrated to the National Improvement Hub
- 2 new resources: Astérix and Copernicus
- Coming soon – Progression guidance and support from First to Second level in Modern Languages
- Assessing Progress and Achievement also updated and linked to First Level E's & O's

### **Update from SCILT – Fiona Fisher**

- New Professional Learning Menus from SCILT and CISS have been launched with a focus on Leadership and Sustainability, Developing the Young Workforce, Transition and L3 in the Secondary sector. Contact them ASAP if you would like to organise some CLPL.
- SCILT will be piloting supporting Practitioner Professional Enquiry in session 2016/17. Invitation to teachers to take part in this will be distributed via flyer.
- New short life working group established to look at inclusion.
- Case studies of L3 in secondary are about to be published.
- SCILT working in partnership with UCMLS – UCMLS cross sector conference Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Sept, University of Dundee
- CISS hosting UK & Ireland Confucius Classroom Conference on 20<sup>th</sup> Sept 2016

### **5. Keynote: Feedback from ADES 1 & 2 report – Bruce Robertson (ADES) and Fiona O’Hanlon (University of Edinburgh)**

#### **Key findings: Positives**

- High degree of importance has been given to 1 & 2 nationally / across LAs
- Overwhelmingly positive aspect of BGE
- LA 1 & 2 Co-ordinators are crucial to the development of the policy
- 1 & 2 aligned with principles of CfE
- On the whole, LAs felt confident for a 2020 implementation

#### **Areas for concern:**

- Progression and continuity within BGE
- Capacity of primary teachers to deliver L2 in Upper Primary (there may be a need to look at models of delivery in the future)
- Engagement of Secondary Schools with 1 & 2
- Concern about the provision of training for 1 & 2 in the longer term (where does this fall within ITE programmes? What type of training is most appropriate?)
- Place / priority of 1 & 2 amongst other government priorities
- Rationale for L3 and clarification of expected provision
- Place of home / community languages and the link with EAL
- Evaluation of outcomes and the quality of teaching and learning
- Potential for inter-authority and cross-sector collaboration

General discussion then took place including issues surrounding sustainability, austerity, sharing of resources and ITE.

### **6. Breakout sessions then took place:**

- a. Evaluating the impact of 1&2 – Louise Glen and Fiona Pate
- b. Collaborative Improvement Planning – Ann Robertson

## **7. Plenary – Ann Robertson**

- Mandy Reeman-Clark thanked the members of the focus group who had helped shaped the new format of meetings.
- LANGS website soon to go live

### Dates for diary:

26<sup>th</sup> August: Deadline for applications for MLAs through British Council

28<sup>th</sup> Oct: Next LANGS meeting

5<sup>th</sup> Sept: Course for Dev Officers in French through IFE (reminder to complete on-line survey and opportunity to take part in summer course for DOs)

4<sup>th</sup> Oct: SCILT & Bilingualism Matters: Benefits of bi-lingualism & Supporting EAL pupils and those staff in mainstream.

<b>ATTENDANCE June 10, 2016</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Surname</b>	<b>Council/Area/Institution</b>
Judith	Boulton-Jones	East Renfrewshire
Virginie	Bradbury	Dundee PanTayside
Stuart	Burns	Dundee PanTayside
Melanie	Caldwell	Midlothian
Gillian	Campbell-Thow	Glasgow
Thomas	Chaurin	Institut Français
Elizabeth	Clingan	South Lanarkshire
Hazel	Crichton	University of Glasgow
Robert	Dalzell	North Lanarkshire
Angela	De Britos	SCILT
Hannah	Doughty	SCILT
Louise	Dunn	Renfrewshire
Fhiona	Fisher	SCILT
Fanny	Fraser	Highland
Toria	Fraser	Scottish Government
Sylvia	Georgin	Aberdeenshire
Louise	Glen	Education Scotland
Caroline	Gordon	Dundee PanTayside
Alan	Huang	University of Strathclyde
Meryl	James	SCILT/CISS
Tamsin	Johnston	Fife
Lynne	Jones	SCILT
Janette	Kelso	SCILT
David	Kerr	Dumfries and Galloway
Fiona	Kerr	East Dunbartonshire
Lynnette	Martin	Aberdeen City
Gwen	McCrossan	Argyll and Bute
Laura	McEwan	Falkirk
Ruth	Mendel	SCIS
Veronica	Mihai	European Commission
Anne-Marie	Moore	North Ayrshire
Brigitta	Murray	East Lothian
Fiona	O'Hanlon	University of Edinburgh
Fiona	Pate	Education Consultant
Mark	Pentleton	Radio Lingua

Lynsey	Pilcher	British Council
Harald	Proell	European Parliament
Emma	Prowse	West Dunbartonshire
Mandy	Reeman-Clark	SCILT
Bruce	Robertson	<a href="#">Bòrd na Gàidhlig</a>
Ann	Robertson	Edinburgh
Gary	Shiells	British Council
Emma	Sowerby	Scottish Borders
Marion	Spöring	UCMLS
Richard	Tallaron	LFEE
Anne	Thirkell	Aberdeen City
Francisco	Valdera-Gil	University of Glasgow
Andrea	Weiler	Goethe-Institut
<b>APOLOGIES</b>		
Jan	Cannon	Inverclyde
Clare	Carroll	SCILT
Jenny	Carr	SRF
Lynn	Crossan	South Lanarkshire
Julie	D'eathe	Shetland
Jackie	Gallagher	HMI Education Scotland
Kandi	Higgins	University of Strathclyde
Jane	Keegan	West Lothian
Nathalie	Korkmaz	Alliance Française
Fan	Lin	CISS
Marie-Claire	Lyon	Aberdeen City
Sarah	Macfarlane	SCILT
Julie-Anne	Mackenzie	SCILT
Jude	McKerrecher	CISS
Petra	McLay	Fife
Fiona	Moffat	Stirling
Angela	Noble	North Ayrshire
Sonia	Perez Coughlan	East Ayrshire
Julia	Preston	East Ayrshire
Susan	Waugh	Scottish Government