
S4C Authority Meeting Minute
13 March 2014, S4C, Llanishen, Cardiff

Meeting No. 374

Present:	Huw Jones	(Chairman)
	John Davies	(Member of the Authority)
	Carol Bell	(Member of the Authority)
	Aled Eirug	(Member of the Authority)
	Glenda Jones	(Member of the Authority)
	Marian Wyn Jones	(Member of the Authority)
	Rheon Tomos	(Member of the Authority)
	Elan Closs Stephens	(Member of the Authority)
S4C staff:	Ian Jones	(Chief Executive)
	Garffild Lloyd Lewis	(Director of Communications)
	Elin Morris	(Director of Corporate and Commercial Policy)
	Kathryn Morris	(Director of Finance)
	Dafydd Rhys	(Director of Content)
	Phil Williams	(Secretary to the Authority)
	Bethan C. Williams	(Assistant to the Secretary to the Authority)

1. **Opening remarks**

The Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting. He explained that the intention was to hold a business meeting of the Authority prior to reconvening to continue the consideration of the co-location and relocation plans.

2. **Declaration of interest**

The Chair asked for any member with an interest in the business of the meeting to declare their interest. No declaration was made.

See the Register of Interests section of the S4C Authority website for general declarations.

3. **Minutes of meeting 373 (Held on 13.02.14) and matters arising**

The Minutes of meeting 373 were presented and it was explained that there would be a further opportunity to consider matters arising from the minutes at the Authority's business meeting in April.

Particular reference was made to the intention to submit the draft budget for 2014-15 and it was agreed that the draft budget should be presented to the Authority for consideration at its meeting in April.

The Authority approved the minutes.

4. **Chairman's Report**

The Chairman presented his report, with particular reference to the following matters.

The Silk Commission's Second Report

He explained that S4C is intending to produce evidence for the Communities and Equality Committee of the Assembly relating to the Silk recommendations and S4C's financial needs. The evidence will be circulated to the Authority Members.

Membership of the Authority

[**Summary:** GJ's term as a member of the Authority is coming to an end and the Chair thanked her for her important contribution to the work of the Authority. JD's term now expires on 30/03/2018.]

The adverts for new members have appeared in the paper, and the interviews will take place in April.

5. **Chief Executive's Report**

The Chief Executive presented his report, and referred in particular to the following matters.

Work on "sufficient funding"

He explained that the work to plan S4C's sufficient funding needs is continuing, and that the project group has completed a number of work streams – these include: the nature of the service, audience expectations and future technology. The work of modelling financial scenarios, including the impact on the performance of the service, will continue and it is expected that a draft of the report will be available for distribution by the end of April.

Training

It was reported that officers have received a report commissioned by S4C into the training needs of the sector and the impact of S4C's financial contribution to training. A report will be submitted to the Authority once officers have considered the next steps.

Pobol y Cwm

[**Summary:** S4C and the BBC have announced that the Pobol y Cwm omnibus is to come to an end.]

Y Gwyll

[**Summary:** BBC Wales and S4C are planning to co-commission a second series and the budget negotiations are continuing.]

6. **Report of the Director of Content**

[**Summary:** DRh presented his report and referred specifically to the discussions about the rugby rights. The discussions are ongoing at present in cooperation with BBC Wales.]

7. **Monthly Research Report**

The monthly research report was presented.

8. **Report of the Director of Communications**

GLL presented his written report.

9. **Complaints and Compliance Report**

The Complaints and Compliance report was presented.

10. **Report from the Content Committee held on 20th February**

[**Summary:** AE submitted his report following the Content Committee meeting held on February 20 and explained that the main task of the Committee was to consider the Authority's Review of the performance of the BBC Programmes provided under the Strategic Partnership during 2013. The draft assessment was presented and following a discussion and suggestions from Members the assessment was approved.]

11. **Any other business**

No other matters were discussed.

12. **Relocation and Co-location Discussion**

The Authority business meeting was brought to an end in order to discuss the above.

(The minutes of the discussion about relocating and co-locating were prepared in a separate document.)

13. **Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday April 10, 2014 in Cardiff.