MINUTES OF MEETING
of the
RESEARCH COMMITTEE
held on
Monday, 4 February 2013
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
Turing Room

Present: 
Jacques Fleuriot (Chair), Nigel Goddard, Jane Hillston, Neil McGillivray, Jon Oberlander, Steve Renals, Dave Robertson, Tamise Totterdell, Barbara Webb, Marjorie Dunlop (Secretary)

Apologies: Liz Elliot, Mike O’Boyle

AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM 1 – Approval of Minutes of meeting of previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting of 8 January 2012 were approved.

ITEM 2 - Matters arising (from meeting of 3 September 2012)

Item 8 - Discussion of Informatics Publications Repositories

There was discussion about the repositories and what works and doesn’t work.

Action
JF to find out if the portal can work with PURE; ongoing
Actioned
Passed to LE for Further Action
LE to speak with Alastair Scobie with a view to possibly drafting a project paper
Passed to TT for Further Action

ITEM 2 – Matters arising (from meeting of 7 January 2012)

Item 3 - Update on CDT plans

It is thought that the call for the CDTs may be in February. Items discussed included Digital Health Care (CIVIS and SOA); NeuroInformatics and Robotics (Barbara Webb); high performance (Pervasive Parallelism); new maths and biology in medicine theme (David Willshaw).

Action
JH will speak to Murray Cole and Mark Parsons re high performance
Actioned (MP is happy to be involved)
Item 4 – Report on recent Informatics research successes

Approval was given for:
• Charles Sutton
• Mike O’Boyle
• Ian Stark

**Action**
EE to forward details to College (via Julie Young)

**Actioned**

ITEM 3 – CDT TRAINING STRUCTURES (Paper A)

There was discussion about the paper on CDT training structures to be approved by Board of Studies on Wednesday, 6 February 2013. It was suggested that Training Plans should be send to IGS (for comment) by 20 February.

ITEM 4 – UPDATE ON CDT PLANS

It was thought that the EPSRC DTC Internal Bid form, with a few edits to the format, would be a useful document. Suggested edits are:

a) last box
   • text should be at top as a bullet point
b) second last box
   • delete applicant and insert ‘investigator’ or ‘PI’
   • list PhD supervisors
c) third last box, last bullet
   • choice of #2 or #3 requires a list of courses
d) third last box, second last bullet
   • indicate what EPSRC will fund; what Informatics will supply; contribution from other people
e) who are the supervisors?
f) can we make things work?

Ideally, Internal Bid forms should be circulated to HoIs, to everyone with CDT bids, and presented at Research Committee on 4 March.

**Action**
All submitting bids – completed forms to JF by 1 March

NG and Charles Sutton are keeping Chris Williams in the loop.

**Action**
JF and BW will tweak the Internal Bid form after the call and then send the form to the Research Committee for distribution

JO spoke about the various opportunities for Design Informatics. He will be speaking with Robin Williams and will feedback to DR and JF.
There is interest in the medical imaging CDT; JS, JW and Bob Fisher are interested.

**Action**
JF to send the Internal Bid document to Bob Fisher

**ITEM 5 – DISCUSSION ON “BOGUS” CONFERENCES AND OPEN-ACCESS JOURNALS (Paper B)**

There was discussion about possible mechanisms that for reporting suspect conferences and journals, and whether or not College Research Committee will make recommendations regarding the problem.

**Action**
JF to speak with DR

**ITEM 6 – REPORT ON RECENT INFORMATICS RESEARCH SUCCESSES (Paper C)**

Approval was given for:
- Claire Grover
- Perdita Stevens

**Action**
JF to forward details to College (via Julie Young)

**ITEM 7 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

A small working group comprised of Neil, Tamise, Jacques, Effie and Jane will meet to look at the data held in the Edinburgh Research Explorer (ERE) and determine an appropriate structure for staff web pages.

**ITEM 6 – DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting is Monday, 4 March 2013, 12:00 pm in the Turing Room.