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Tuesday 29 November 2016, 6.00 – 7.30 pm

Committee Room 3, Scottish Parliament

Note: there will be a Networking Wine Reception at 7.00 pm

Attendance

Convener

Mary Fee MSP

In Attendance: Daniel Cairns, Researcher and Caseworker in the office of Mary Fee MSP
(Minutes)

MSP Members

Members and Guests

Nigel Archdale, Anthony Millard Consulting

Anouk Berthier, Senior Researcher Financial Scrutiny Unit Scottish Parliament
Information Centre (SPICe) *Guest*

James Brodie, General Manager and Business Adviser, China Britain Business Council Scotland

Dr Carole Couper, Director, inCouperated Limited

Liu Dayong, Project Manager working with Nigel Archdale on Shenzhen ESMS project *Guest*

Professor Tariq Durrani OBE FEng FRSE, Research Professor, University of Strathclyde,
founder of the China Scotland Signal & Image Processing Research Academy (SIPRA)

Helen Ford, former teacher in China

Professor Natascha Gentz, FRSE, Assistant Principal (China), Chair of Chinese Studies,
Director of the Confucius Institute for Scotland, University of Edinburgh

Jessica Guo, Founder Trustee, Asian Association of Culture, Commerce and Education in Europe
(AACCEE)

Luna Chao Guo, Managing Director, Fusion Cultural Development Ltd

Elaine Logan, Warden of Glenalmond College

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Nick Mackie, Strategic Partnership Manager, Usher Institute of Population Health Sciences and Informatics, University of Edinburgh; Executive Producer/Correspondent, Inspired Reporting, Chongqing, 2003-2011; Emmy Award for China business and financial reporting, 2005

Colin Mitchell, Depute Head Teacher, Lasswade High School, Midlothian

Rosemary Mitchell, Convener of SCEN Ambassadors

Iain Nicol, Partner, Balfour & Manson LLP

Neil Phillips, Positive Solutions (Glasgow)

Sandie Robb, Senior Educational Officer, Royal Zoological Society for Scotland

Dr Jim Scott, ELLC Consulting, Senior Lecturer, School of Education and Social Work, University of Dundee, Member of SCEN Advisory Council

Xia Zhu, Director of Youai Scotland CIC

Apologies

Dr Roger Collins, Honorary Fellow, University of Edinburgh

Dr Judith McClure, Chair of SCEN

David Tann, BSc (Eng) MSc PhD CEng FICE MIMMM SHFEA, Assistant Dean (International), School of Engineering and Computing, University of the West of Scotland

1 Welcome and Apologies

2 Minutes of the Initial Meeting, 14 September 2016

3 Matters Arising

2 Position of Secretary

5 Re-Registration Document and Work Plan

4 Update on Parliamentary Business

5 Dr Jim Scott: Analysis of Progress with the Learning of Mandarin in Scotland's Schools

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6 **Updates from Members**

(a) **Dr Carole Couper**

Building bridges across institutional distance: network development and the internationalisation of Scottish SMEs into China.

(b) **Students from Lasswade High School, Midlothian**

Update on their recent visit to three of the biggest cities in China

(c) **Nick Mackie on the University of Edinburgh of Edinburgh Healthcare and Science Initiative in Shenzhen**

(d) **Great Britain China Centre: Project on Reducing the Use of Detention in the Chinese Justice System, including Study Visit to the UK, February 2017**

(e) **Nigel Archdale on Progress with the ESMS International School Project in Shenzhen**

7 **Invitation from Mr Pan Xinchun, Consul General of the PR of China**

8 **Any Other Competent Business**

9 **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

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