Meeting of the Chinese Teaching Club

2 October 2015

We had a very energising meeting at Abden House, home of the Confucius Institute for Scotland at the University of Edinburgh, on Friday 2 October. We were wonderfully looked after by our colleagues in the Institute and by Edinburgh First: we were given the wonderful Mirror Room, with its Chinese wallpaper and its view of Arthur's Seat, and a delicious sandwich lunch. It was apparent from the start why we need the Chinese Teaching Club: everyone wanted to meet new friends, some of whom had come from long distances (Aberdeen, Carnoustie).

Action Points

- * We shall have a Chinese Teaching Club page on the SCEN website: Judith McClure will be in touch with John Hammell, the SCEN Website Manager.
- * We shall develop a CTC Dropbox, to allow for the sharing of resources: again Judith will check with John. There will also be space for blog posts, to be sent via Judith: judithmcclure12a@aol.com
- * We shall open a WeChat Group, to facilitate contacts: Judith McKerrecher from CISS will do that.
- * We shall contemplate an event: perhaps at Dollar? Billy Prior will think about that, to hold it at Dollar Academy.
- * Dr Zhu Zhu will work on another superb workshop on teaching methods for Chinese in 2016 at Moray House School of Education, supported by Simon Macaulay, Judith McKerrecher, and CISS.
- * We shall make CTC prominent players in the Fifth SCEN China Youth Summit in November 2016.
- * In 2016 we may well have a CTC presentation at the Cross Party Group on China at the Scottish Parliament: any one interested in that, do contact Judith McClure.
- * There is going to be a HUGE celebration of the Chinese New Year 2016 in George Square, Glasgow. Anne Mactaggart MSP is organising. Judith McClure will put you in touch with

her if you would like to help in any way.

- * Teachers of Chinese in Scotland want to connect. It seems like a good idea for me to circulate this distribution list to all members. If you object to that, please let me know at once, and certainly by FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER.
- * OUR NEXT MEETING SO WE CAN ASSESS PROGRESS ON ALL FRONTS: FRIDAY 22 JANUARY 2016, 1.00 PM, ABDEN HOUSE, THE CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE FOR SCOTLAND AT THE UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH.

Let's make all this happen!