BCS L&D SG Minutes 2016-04-18

Present
Kevin Streater, Chair
Michele, Events Organiser
Ken Gaines, Education Liaison
Paul Smart, Secretary

Apologies

Agenda

Minutes
Meeting brought to order by the chair at 11am.

- Statement of Purpose
  - Kevin introduced the BCS L&D statement of purpose
  - The website needs to be updated with the new statement
    - ACTION ?
- Today's Event
  - 41 registered delegates, some more who are not on the list
  - Best attendance numbers yet for an event outside of London
- Next Event
  - Will be around Tech Week, led by the Tech Partnership on the 1st week of July
  - A room has been provisionally booked at Southampton Street for the Wed 6th July to do something jointly with
  - BCS want to have ‘big debates’ around four topic areas, one of which is ‘Capability’
  - BCS are asking members to run events around the ‘big debate’ topics
  - Kevin suggests
    - An evening dinner on the 5th under the L&D SG banner partnering with the IT Livery company at one of the livery halls, to discuss ‘Capability’
    - Lead table discussions
    - Capture the information at the end and feed results back to BCS
Michelle suggested sending links to a simple survey or using voting with hardware voting buttons.

Kevin suggested we ask David Evans (HQ) what type of information he wants.

**Action KS** - Asking David Evans what he wants back from an event.

Based on that David’s reply - decide if should book the dinner or not.

- **Survey**
  - 110 replies which is a very good response
  - **Kevin**
    - We have a community of 110 people from an L&S SG membership of 1800 from a total membership of 70,000 in BCS
    - **Initial findings**
      - People want 50/50 online to F2F events
      - We should do more F2F
      - AGM, Learning Tech and today’s event are F2F so need an online event soon.
    - F2F location preference for (1) London, (2) West (Bristol, SW), (3) SE
    - More London events
    - Ken mentioned that Reading could be good SE location.
  - **Topics for events**
    - Apprenticeships and degree apprenticeships were mentioned
    - Knowing more about SFIA (Skills Framework for the Information Age)
  - Need to pick out Amazon Voucher winners

- **Training course**
  - SFIA training course usually cost £495-595/day
  - Kevin has had offer from a SFIA authorized trainer member to run an event for group members at just daily rate for lots of students
    - Would make it cheaper for our group members to attend the course.
    - What is SFIA and how to use it to help learning
  - Consensus that we should be running more training events
  - Michele - we need at least 8 people on the session for it to be viable
  - Can use Southampton St as the venue
  - Kevin would like it to be: “How to use SFIA for L&D”
  - Kevin will continue consolidating survey results and working on SFIA events

Next meeting in April/May

Closed meeting