

**Scotland's Colleges Governance Programme - Strategic Leadership
Evaluation Review (C2968) - Friday 24 April 2009 at UHI Millennium
Institute**

1. E-mail Address:

10 Responses

2. One of the main aims of the programme was to provide members of College Boards the opportunity to explore techniques and good practice ideas for improving board effectiveness. How would you rate the level of satisfaction in achieving this aim?

Very Good	0	0%
Good	8	73%
Fair	3	27%
Unsatisfactory	0	0%
Total	11	100%

3. Please feel free to give any comments you may have regarding the aim mentioned above.

5 Responses

None.
Thought provoking.
I'd like more practical debate.
Perhaps more explicit guidance would be useful.
Too much focus on background to leadership rather than specifics.

4. Did the workshop meet your own personal objectives?

Yes	7	88%
No	1	12%
Total	8	100%

5. How would you rate the usefulness of the content?

Very Good	1	9%
Good	6	55%
Fair	4	36%
Unsatisfactory	0	0%
Total	11	100%

6. How would you rate the effectiveness of the presentation/delivery methods?

Very Good	2	18%
Good	8	73%
Fair	1	9%
Unsatisfactory	0	0%
Total	11	100%

7. Please feel free to give any comments you may have regarding the usefulness of the workshop content.

6 Responses

Provided useful 'tasters' of complex issues and methodologies.

Networking time ok. Idea provoking.

Limited use.

Groups should change to encourage different interaction and networking.

Perhaps real examples would be helpful.

Balance could be lifted, strayed focus on pm topics - less on am topics.

8. How did the workshop contribute to your learning?

8 Responses

Provided pointers to areas for further consideration by boards.

Was useful to have discussion with Board Members from other colleges.

Interesting, learnt from others.

Consolidated previous learning.

Interesting discussion in strategic thinking and communication.

Meeting of other board members. Some useful information re strategic objectives.

Raised awareness.

Confirmation - but some useful points on future actions.

9. Was the workshop a beneficial use of time? (Please rate your level of satisfaction)

Very Good	0	0%
Good	7	64%
Fair	4	36%
Unsatisfactory	0	0%
Total	11	100%

10. Please feel free to give any comments you may have regarding the use of time.

7 Responses

Earlier start and later finish would be acceptable. More time needed within day for discussion.

Time allocation ok.

Is video conferencing an option to reduce travel requirements?

Good mixture of information given discussions. Exercises - group.

Prefer to discuss practical issues.

Felt part 1 'Governance' was more useful.

Useful - as part of networking process.

11. How useful and challenging was the environment in which to learn? (Please rate your level of satisfaction)

Very Good	0	0%
Good	7	70%
Fair	3	30%
Unsatisfactory	0	0%
Total	10	100%

12. Please feel free to give any comments you may have regarding the learning environment.

6 Responses

None

Heating/air conditioning wasn't consistent.

Good room, good facilities.

Good, interactive sessions.

Noise of footsteps from first floor! Temperature.

Not clear what is meant by the question. The room was very satisfactory.

13. Was this a beneficial networking opportunity? (Please rate your level of satisfaction)

Very Good	3	27%
Good	6	55%
Fair	2	18%
Unsatisfactory	0	0%
Total	11	100%

14. Please feel free to give any comments you may have regarding networking.

6 Responses

A vital part of discussions.
I found one participant a bit overbearing.
Interesting to meet board members from other colleges.
Great to have the opportunity to engage with Board Members from different colleges etc.
Value in meeting other board members.
Not enough opportunities to meet even own colleagues on 'social' basis.

15. How would you rate the venue and domestic arrangements?

Very Good	2	18%
Good	8	73%
Fair	1	9%
Unsatisfactory	0	0%
Total	11	100%

16. Please feel free to give any comments you may have regarding the venue and domestic arrangements.

5 Responses

None
Fine.
Heating temperamental!!
Good location.
'Dining' facilities poor, seats uncomfortable, noisy, poor temp control.

17. How do you rate the pre event publicity?

Very Good	0	0%
Good	10	91%
Fair	0	0%
Unsatisfactory	1	9%
Total	11	100%

18. Please feel free to give any comments you may have regarding the pre event publicity and any suggestions on how you would like to receive workshop information in the future.

2 Responses

None
More material in advance to allow thinking.

19. How do you rate the workshop arrangements?

Very Good	2	20%
Good	7	70%
Fair	1	10%
Unsatisfactory	0	0%
Total	10	100%

20. Please feel free to give any comments you may have regarding the arrangements

4 Responses

None, seems more appropriate to be in UHI (or college) than in a hotel.
In general good.
Guidelines on role and responsibilities. Degree of involvement.
The plastic folders are environmental disasters. Far too much plastic ready to be thrown away.

21. Are there other topics that you would like to see in future workshops?

3 Responses

Think it's up to us now.
1 hour of white space for general topics (submitted in advance by Board Members) for discussion.
Practical issues. Board - board communication.

22. If you were unsatisfied with any aspect of the workshop and would like Lesley Whelan, Lead Specialist - Leadership and Professional Development at SFEU, Scotland's Colleges to contact you, please leave your contact details below:

1 Responses

Some comments by Lesley Whelan and Jan Polley on the political/criticism of Central Government/Scottish Government.