

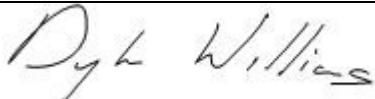


Member Networks Annual Report Form 2017

To enable us to better support our networks and their activities all member networks (Local Sections, Interest Groups and Analytical Division Regions) are asked to complete this form and return it to networks@rsc.org. The information is shared with the members of your networks, staff and governance Boards and Committees (inc. Division Councils).

Or by post to; Networks Team, Royal Society of Chemistry, Thomas Graham House, Science Park, Milton Road, Cambridge, CB4 0WF.

This report form will be uploaded to the appropriate web page (signature deleted) unless requested otherwise.

GROUP NAME	Tertiary Education Group (TEG)
Submitted by	Dr Dylan Williams
Signed (may be signed electronically)	
Date	23/01/2017

Please list below the dates of your planned AGM and Committee Meetings (where applicable).

Annual General Meeting (if being held)

Date:	Thursday August 24 th 2017
Venue:	University of York

Proposed Committee Meetings Dates

Date	Venue

Financial Accounts for the year ending 31 December 2016

Deadline for receipt of Financial Accounts by RSC Finance Team: **14th February 2017**

Deadline for receipt of Annual Report by Networks Team: **24th February 2017**



EVENTS

Please attach any meeting reports, newsletters or other reports which are relevant.

Please report below on activities undertaken in the past year. If you have more detailed information about any particularly successful events, or advice to share please use a separate sheet. For more events continue as necessary.

EVENT KEY:

- Education Event
- Public Lecture
- Retired Members Event
- Scientific Conference - 1 day
- Scientific Conference - multi day
- Social Event
- Training/workshop
- Award Lecture

Event Name	Variety in Chemistry Education 2016 (ViCE)									
Event Type (key)	Scientific Conference - multi day									
Comments	25-26 August 2016, University of Southampton									
	<p>The annual ViCE conference was run alongside the physics equivalent (PhEC) at the University of Southampton on August 25-26 2016. The conference included a keynote plenary from Professor Nick Greeves (University of Liverpool) who was the 2015 recipient of the RSC Nyholm Prize for Education. The conference was attended by 122 delegates. Table 1 below summarises the responses to the conference evaluation questionnaire.</p> <p>Table 1. Percentage of respondents agreement to the ViCE-PhEC evaluation questionnaire (N=54) who agreed the following aspects of the conference were “excellent” or “good”.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Statement</th> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Percentage rating as “excellent” or “good”</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Conference organisation</td> <td style="text-align: center;">96.4</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Conference programme</td> <td style="text-align: center;">90.7</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Conference website</td> <td style="text-align: center;">85.2</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>70% of chemistry respondents to the conference evaluation questionnaire (N=40) agreed that the key note was useful to their current practice. The remaining 30% agreed that it may be of use to them in the future.</p> <p>Delegate feedback supported the reintroduction of a poster session so this aspect of the conference will be retained in 2017.</p>		Statement	Percentage rating as “excellent” or “good”	Conference organisation	96.4	Conference programme	90.7	Conference website	85.2
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Event Name	Methods in Chemistry Education Research (MiCER)									
Event Type (key)	Scientific Conference – 1 day									

Comments	<p>20 May 2016, Burlington House, London</p> <p>This one day event was organised by Dr Michael Seery (University of Edinburgh) and took place on. Attendance of the meeting was free thanks to the support of the TEG and the RSC's Chemistry Education Research Group.</p> <p>The event was organised in response to a growing demand and interest in chemistry education research in the UK. The meeting focused in particular on methods; the practicalities of how to do chemistry education research. Invited speakers with experience of completing and publishing discipline-based education research gave talks on particular methods, relating the methods to a theoretical framework, the research question, and discussing the practicalities of gathering data. Approaches to publication were outlined. Each presentation incorporated an extended structured discussion so that attendees had time to discuss further issues that arise. The meeting was organised with the journal Chemistry Education Research and Practice.</p> <p>The event was attended by 57 delegates. Michael Seery reported to the TEG committee that the feedback was very positive and there was demand for a follow up event in 2017 (37 out of 38 respondents to the post event questionnaire stated they would attend a follow up event).</p>
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Event Name	RSC HE Chemistry Teaching Network Meetings
Event Type (key)	Scientific Conference - 1 day
Comments	<p>August 24 2016, University of Southampton January 6 2017, University of Oxford</p> <p>The RSC Chemistry Teaching Network is an association of chemistry teaching dominant staff in the HE sector, many of whom are in the early stages of their career. There is some overlap between membership of this network and TEG. The network's activities are supported by TEG including the organisation of forthcoming meetings and creating online channels for communication (e.g. MyRSC). TEG publicises the networks activities through social media and emails to group members. In 2016-17 there were two network meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of Southampton, 24th August 2016 – This was organised as a satellite meeting of ViCE-PhEC 2016. The meeting was chaired by Dr Jenny Burnham (University of Sheffield) and was based on a discussion led format with a small number of presentations designed to focus the discussions. • University of Oxford, 6th January 2017 – This meeting was organised by Dr Malcolm Stewart and focused on laboratory practice. TEG provided £500 of funding for this event, helped guide the local organisers and publicised the event.





AWARDS AND BURSARIES

Please list any awards or bursaries presented by your committee in 2016 and indicate any which will be open for nomination/application in 2017.

TEG sponsors an invited lecture at the annual ViCE-PhEC conference. The sponsorship covers reasonable travel expenses, registration and accommodation

Other information/comments:

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

Please report below on activities proposed. For more events continue as necessary.

Event Name	Methods in Chemistry Education Research (MiCER)
Comments	<p>19 May 2017, Burlington House, London</p> <p>This one day conference is being organised in response to a growing demand and interest in chemistry education research in the UK. The meeting will focus in particular on methods; the practicalities of how to do chemistry education research. Invited speakers with experience of completing and publishing discipline-based education research will give talks on particular methods, relating the methods to a theoretical framework, the research question, and discussing the practicalities of gathering data. Approaches to publication will be outlined. Each speaker will be followed by an extended structured discussion so that attendees have time to discuss further issues that arise. The meeting is being organised with the journal Chemistry Education Research and Practice which is free to access at the URL: www.rsc.org/cepr.</p> <p>TEG is helping to publicise this event.</p>
Event Name	Variety in Chemistry Education (ViCE)
Comments	<p>24-25th August 2017, University of Southampton</p> <p>Based on the continuing success of the joint format, ViCE will run alongside PhEC (Physics Higher Education Conference) again in 2017. The organising committee received two bids to host the event (University of Bath and University of York). Based on an analysis of the bids and the desire to geographically distribute the events, the University of York was selected as the host for 2017.</p>
Event Name	RSC HE Chemistry Teaching Network Meeting
Comments	<p>University of York, 23rd August 2017</p> <p>This next network meeting will run as a satellite event of the ViCE 2017 conference.</p>
Event Name	

Comments	
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COMMITTEE

(this information will be used to update our membership database and your web page where appropriate)

Position	Name	Dates on committee (20xx – 20xx)
Chair	Simon Lancaster	2015-2017 (as chair). Will stand down in summer 2017.
Secretary	Dylan Williams	2015-2018 (as secretary)
Treasurer	David McGarvey	2014-2017 (as secretary)
Ordinary Members	Richard Blackburn (Membership officer) Jenny Burnham Suzanne Fergus James Gaynor Glenn Hurst Julie Hyde Shane Lo Fan Hin Joe McGinnis Andrew McKinley Karen Moss Tina Overton Natalie Rowley Michael Seery Jenny Slaughter (Communications Officer) Malcolm Stewart	2016- 2016-
Benevolent Fund Representative (if relevant)		
Co-opted members and their affiliation		



Diversity & Inclusion

Our trustees are aiming to embed diversity and inclusion in all of our activities and networks. Our [online network handbook](#) contains more information to support our networks in achieving this.

Please comment on how your group is showing that it has embraced Diversity and Inclusion within its practices.

- TEG coordinated events encourage speakers from a wide range of backgrounds in order to encourage engagement from a diverse audience.
- TEG committee meetings are organised in accessible locations.
- Catering arrangements for committee meetings are made in consultation with members to ensure that any dietary requirements are met.
- Appropriate size text is used for all printed materials.