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“Top-flight FOBISIA Conference at Bangkok Patana School concludes with sad farewells to Chairman and Vice-Chairman”

This year’s annual FOBISIA Heads Conference (November 2014) drew to a close and saw two long-serving stalwarts of the Federations leadership step-down from office. Shaun Williams (British International School, HCMC Vietnam & Chairman) & Peter Derby Crook (Tanglin Trust School Singapore, & Vice-Chairman) “retire to the backbenches” but will undoubtedly both continue to contribute much to the smooth running of the federation.

Shaun Williams will perhaps be best remembered for his most recent years as chairman and for the firm and orderly vision with which he has guided the federation. During a period of sustained growth and expansion, he has rightly taken the operations and decision making processes of the federation from the metaphorically cosy but overly crowded and chaotic feeling of the family parlour and lifted it into the more efficient and functionally comfortable surroundings of the Executive Lounge. In this same analogy, Peter Derby-Crook has, by bringing unshakeable calm, principled judgment and good-humour into all situations, been the perfect complimentary character to help hone the thinking of the Federations leadership.

Stewardship of the Federations leadership now passes into the hands of Gary D. Benfield (The ABC International School, HCMC Vietnam) who is determined to sustain the good work of his predecessors.