

Annual General Meeting  
MINUTES (CONFIRMED)



Reg. Charity No. 1111776

Date of Meeting: 19 November 2011  
Time: 11:00am  
Venue: Latter-Day Saints Chapel, 44-46 Wembley Park Drive, Wembley,  
London HA9 8HA

AGM9.1 **Attendance**

AGM9.1.1 **Present (UKDS Board of Trustees)**

Philip Gerrard (Chair)  
Stuart Harrison (Vice-Chair)  
Kevin Whalley (Treasurer)  
Josef Baines (Trustee)  
Sharon Hirshman (Trustee)  
Jonathan Reid (Trustee)  
Vincent Dickson (Trustee)

UKDS9.1.2 **In attendance**

Derek Simmons (Hon. President)  
Gordon Hay (UKDS Volunteer) – Filming  
Jemima Buoy (UKDS Volunteer) – Minute-taker  
Lee Dolby (Incoming UKDS Inclusive Sport Advisor due to start Jan 2012)  
Craig Crowley (ICSD President)  
Chris Ratcliffe (EFDS Director of Development)  
Ray Ashley (EFDS Partnerships Manager)  
Tom Smith (GB Deaf Cycling & Incoming Trustee)  
Phil Bocking (GB Ten Pin Bowling)  
Ramas Rentelis (Deaf Basketball UK)  
Moty Allshevers (Deaf Basketball UK)  
Lyndon James (England Deaf Rugby Football Union)  
Richard Weinbaum (Deaf Sports Personality of the Year Committee)  
Jackie Harrison (Deaf Sports Personality of the Year Committee)  
David Hirshman (Deaf Sports Personality of the Year Committee)  
Denise Whyman (GB Deaf Swimming Club)  
Martin Willis (UK Deaf Football Federation)  
Niall Fearon (UK Deaf Football Federation)  
Martin Bogard (GB Deaf Badminton)  
Dominic Caswell (GB Deaf Badminton)  
Andrea Hardwick (GB Deaf Badminton)  
Mike Webster (British Deaf Sports Council)  
Bryan Whalley (British Deaf Tennis Association)  
Steve Wherry (Ex-UKDS Trustee)  
Sean Curran (Observer)  
Larisa Green (Observer)  
Martin Strutt (UK Deaf Table Tennis Association)  
Nina Massing (Observer)

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**Apologies**

Andrew Calloway (UK Deaf Table Tennis Association)  
Sarah Lawrence (Wales Deaf Golf Association)  
Simon Jones (English Deaf Squash Association)  
Brian Rawlinson (English Deaf Squash Association)  
Fiona Brookes (British Deaf Tennis Association)  
Nick Brookes (British Deaf Tennis Association)  
Guy Finney (UKDS Statistics Officer)  
Caroline Hurley (UKDS Trustee)

AGM9.2

**Welcome**

AGM9.2.1

The Hon. President welcomed everyone, thanked them for attending and hoped all will have a productive day. He opened the UK Deaf Sport's 9<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting and invited the Chair to take the floor. This was followed by housekeeping rules.

AGM9.3

**UKDS Updates/News**

AGM9.3.1

The Chair thanked the Hon. President for the welcome. He gave us updates on UKDS as outlined in his Annual Report. See below for full details.

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**EFDS**

AGM9.4.1

The Chair invited the EFDS Director of Development to give his presentation on Increasing Disability Sports Participation.

AGM9.5

**Sport England – Inclusive Sport Funding**

AGM9.5.1

The UKDS Vice-Chair then explained the work behind the Sport England funding and what it means to Deaf Sport. Basic explanation on the on-going work on the membership structure was also given.

AGM9.6

**ICSD**

AGM9.6.1

The Chair then invited the ICSD President to take the floor and give his presentation on Deaflympics: putting sport first.

AGM9.7

Thanks were given to both EFDS and ICSD for clear and informative presentations.

AGM9.8

**Minutes of the November 2010 Annual General Meeting**

**RECEIVED & NOTED**

Unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of 27 November 2010.

**APPROVED**

The minutes were approved by Vincent Dickson, and seconded by Kevin Whalley, on behalf of the Members as an accurate record of the meeting.

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**Annual Report 2010 / 2011**

AGM9.9.1

The Chair presented his Annual Report. Key points were:

- ↳ Overview of the year 2010-2011
- ↳ Strategic Aims for 2010-2013:
  - ↳ UKDS to become a company limited by guarantee & charity registered
  - ↳ Restructure UKDS and accountability
  - ↳ Expand the Board
  - ↳ Focusing on Fundraising strategies
  - ↳ Restructure Membership
  - ↳ Develop a Sport Science Committee
  - ↳ GBDOC for Deaflympics at Athens 2013
  - ↳ Improve communication via Media & consultation periods
- ↳ Achievements:
  - ↳ Successfully delivered Deaf Personality of the Year Awards in 2010
  - ↳ Made a bid for Sport England's Inclusive Sport Fund
  - ↳ Memorandum of Understanding between UKDS and British Olympic Association created
  - ↳ JustGiving facility used by Members
  - ↳ Consultations with Members
  - ↳ Continued dialogue with Government on funding for Deaflympics 2013
  - ↳ Representation at International Congresses

**RECEIVED**

UKDS Audited Account 2010 / 2011

AGM9.9.2

The audited account has been presented to the Members.

AGM9.10

**Election of Board of Trustees**

AGM9.10.1

The names of interested candidates and current Trustees to be re-elected (Sharon Hirshman & Caroline Hurley) were presented. One new nomination was received – Tom Smith. One Trustee to stand down – Steve Wherry.

**APPROVED**

The re-elected and elected Trustees (Sharon Hirshman, Caroline Hurley and Tom Smith) were proposed by Bryan Whalley and seconded by Niall Fearon, on behalf of Members, unanimously accepted the New Board of Trustees.

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Signed: .....*P.P. O'Connell*.....

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- AGM9.10.2           The Hon. President welcomed the newly elected Board of Trustees.
- AGM9.11            **Any Other Business**
- AGM9.11.1          The Chair stressed that A.O.B. on the Agenda should not be part of the Annual General Meetings, but welcome any A.O.B.s for today.
- AGM9.11.2          Niall Fearon, on behalf of Members, congratulated and thanked UKDS in their success in securing funding and for their hard work for the past year.
- AGM9.11.3          Thanks were given to the Latter Day Saints Church for their generosity in providing a venue and food for our AGM.
- AGM9.12            **Date of the UKDS' 10<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**
- AGM9.12.1          The UKDS' 10<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting will take place on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2012 in Coventry.

Signed as an accurate record of proceedings by Philip Gerrard, Chair.

Signed: ..... *P.P. Gerrard* .....

Date: ..... *17/11/2012* .....