Annual General Meeting
MINUTES

Reg. Charity No. 1111776

Date of Meeting:	29th March 2014
Time:	11:00am
Venue:	Charity Centre, Directory of Social Change, 24 Stephenson Way, Euston, London, NW1 2DP

AGM13.1 **Attendance**

AGM13.1.1 **Present (UKDS Board of Trustees)**
Philip Gerrard (Chair)
Stuart Harrison (Vice-Chair)
Kevin Whalley (Trustee)
Jonathan Reid (Trustee)
Vincent Dickson (Trustee)
Gordon Hay (Trustee)
Craig Crowley (Honorary President)

UKDS13.1.2 **In attendance**
Lee Dolby (UKDS Inclusive Sport Manager)
Clive Breedon (UKDS National Participation Officer
Guy Finney (Deaf UK Athletics)
John Lewis (Deaf UK Athletics)
Serena Gilmour (UK Deaf Table Tennis Association)
Andrew Taylor (Deaf Sailing UK)
Moty Allshever (Deaf Basketball UK)
Steve Wherry (Observer)
Martin Strutt (Observer)

AGM13.1.3 **Apologies**
Bill Baillie (UKDS National Talent Officer)
Derek A. Simmons (Past Hon. President)
Martin Bogard (ICSD & EDSO Badminton TD)
Christof Niklaus (ICSD Football TD)
Chris Beech (UK Deaf Football Federation)
Martin Willis (GB Deaf Football)
Tom Smith (GB Deaf Cycling)
Andrew Stibbs (British Deaf Winter Sports Association)
Sandra Campbell (Deaf UK Athletics)

AGM13.2 **Welcome**

AGM13.2.1 The Chair welcomed everyone, thanked them for attending and hoped all will have a productive day. He opened the UK Deaf Sport's 11th Annual General Meeting. This was followed by housekeeping rules. Any questions are to be put on the board throughout the day.

AGM13.3 **UKDS Strategy 2013-2017 Update**

Signed: P.P. Gerrard

AGM13.3.1	Lee Dolby took the floor and gave presentation on the UKDS Strategy 2013-2017, and the expectations to occur during the period. Details of the presentation are available on UKDS' website, under the title "UKDS Strategy 2013-2017 Update".
AGM13.4	**Future Talent (UKDS Strategy 2013-2017 Update)**
AGM13.4.1	Josef Baines presented the talent part of the UKDS Strategy, focussing on the pathway for elite athletes including sport science development. Details of the presentation is available on UKDS' website, under the title "UKDS Strategy 2013-2017 Update"
AGM13.5	**Deafinitely Inclusive (UKDS Strategy 2013-2017 Update)**
AGM13.5.1	Clive Breedon gave the last part of the update – on the new development of Deafinitely Inclusive, to promote mass participation. Details of the presentation are available on UKDS' website, under the title "UKDS Strategy 2013-2017 Update"
AGM13.6	**S2013 Summer Deaflympics Summary**
AGM13.6.1	Gordon Hay gave a summary presentation on the overview of the S2013 project. Details of the presentation are available on UKDS' website, under the "S2013 Summer Deaflympics Summary"
AGM13.7	**Annual General Meeting**
AGM13.7.1	The President officially opened the AGM.
AGM13.8	**Minutes of the November 2012 Annual General Meeting**
RECEIVED & NOTED	Unconfirmed minutes of the meeting of 29 November 2012.
APPROVED	The minutes were approved by Stuart Harrison, and seconded by Guy Finney, on behalf of the Members as an accurate record of the meeting.
AGM13.8	**UKDS' Annual Report 2012-2013**
AGM13.8.1	The Chair took the turn to present the Annual Report for the year 2012-2013. He highlighted a number of achievements in all areas within UKDS as an organisation. Details of the presentation are available on UKDS' website, under the "UKDS' Annual Report by the Chair"
AGM13.9	**UKDS' Finance Report 2012-2013**
RECEIVED & NOTED	UKDS Unaudited Accounts 2012-2013.
AGM13.9.1	Kevin Whalley gave the summary of UKDS' Finances for the year end 2013.

Signed: P.P. Colin

The Chair recorded his thanks to Kevin as an outgoing Trustee for his involvement as Treasurer. Details of the presentation are available on UKDS' website, under the "UKDS' Finance Report 2013"

AGM13.10 **Election of Board of Trustees**

AGM13.10.1 Four Trustees has stepped down, namely, Sharon Hirshman, Caroline Hurley, Bryan Whalley and Kevin Whalley.

AGM13.10.2 The Chair explained that UKDS has discussed the issue of numbers of Trustees with the Charity Commission; and with their approval, Trustees recruitment will commence after the AGM, as part of the re-structure of its governance, as one of the UKDS Strategy targets.

AGM13.10.3 The Chair also recorded his thanks for each Trustee for their commitment toward UKDS during their tenure.

AGM13.11.4 **UKDS' Honorary President role**

AGM13.11.1 The Chair explained that the role has been vacant since Derek A. Simmons has left. UKDS Board have had held discussion with an outstanding individual who will be able to assist UKDS with the next stage with its Strategy in place.

AGM13.11.2 The Chair formally welcomed Craig A. Crowley, MBE (past President of International Committee of Sport for the Deaf and Chair of UKDS) who has accepted the role.

AGM13.11.3 Derek A. Simmons, UKDS' past Honorary President was the first to give congratulations message to Craig electronically! (Message was relied by Stuart Harrison)

AGM13.11.4 Craig gave his first speech as UKDS' Honorary President as thus: -

"Thank you, the Chair and the Board for inviting me for the role; I am too delighted to accept such invitation to become Honorary President.

UKDS has come long way since I move on over last 4 years. I was equally impressed with the Board and staff's direction especially with its robust 4-year strategic plan.

It will be hard to follow previous Honorary President who had done great job but I will do my best!

I hope I will bring international experience I gained from the last 4 years to help influence UKDS. I also look forward to see UKDS building relations and partnerships with sports organisations, federations as well as Paralympics for the future.

AGM13.12. **Date of the UKDS' 12th Annual General Meeting**

Signed: P.P. Cellan

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AGM13.12.1 The UKDS' 12th Annual General Meeting will take place on 15th November 2014. The venue will be same as this AGM.

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

Signed: P.P. Gerrard

Date: 15-11-2014

Signed: P.P. Gerrard