

13th Annual General Meeting
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Date of Meeting: 23rd April 2016
Time: 10:30am – 1pm
Venue: Resource for London, 356 Holloway Road, London, N7 6PA

AGM16.1 **Attendance**

AGM16.1.1 **Present (UKDS Board of Trustees)**

Piers Martin (Chair)
Daniel Lee (Trustee)
Vincent Dickson (Trustee)
Gordon Hay (Trustee)
Paul Huggins (Trustee)

UKDS16.1.2 **In attendance**

Craig Crowley (Honorary President)
Lee Dolby (UKDS Director of Development)
Paul Challinor (UKDS Engagement Officer)
Donna Rubin, Interpreter
Sam Dean, Interpreter
Richard Weinbaum (Deaf Sport Personality of the Year)
Christof Niklaus (Fulham Deaf F.C.)
Matthew Dunstan (England Netball)
Michael Boyne (GB Deaf Football)
Phil Bocking (Ten Pin Bowling)
Enrique Canton (UK Deaf Judo)
Serena Gilmour (UK Deaf Table Tennis Association)
Brian Baxter (GBDSC)
Mel Davis (GBDSC)
Martin Bogard (ICSD / EDSO TD Badminton)
Guy Finney (UK Deaf Athletics)
Anthony O'Donnell (Observer)
Andrew Taylor (Deaf Sailing UK)

AGM16.1.3 **Apologies**

Jonathan Reid (Trustee)
Philip Gerrard (Trustee)
Graeme Knight (Trustee)
Nick Brookes (British Deaf Tennis Association)

AGM16.2 **Welcome**

AGM16.2.1 The Honorary President, Craig welcomed everyone, thanked them for attending and hoped all will have a productive day. He introduced Piers Martin as the new Chair of UKDS.

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AGM16.3 Staff Reports (Development Projects)

AGM16.3.1 Lee Dolby, Director of Development, provided an update on the participation project.

AGM16.3.1.2 Last 12 months progress included the following;

- Launched the National Quality Standard for deaf sport provision 'DEAFinitely inclusive club' and 'DEAFinitely inclusive facility'.
- Developed promotional videos to encourage participation.
- Insight Development through National Survey and developed sports factsheet.
- Education of Coaches;
 - Over 250 training in Effective Communication.
 - 39 new deaf coaches qualified to level 1 and 2.
 - Leadership in Running Fitness Course delivered specifically for deaf people.
- 1st National Conference.
- New Deaf events in Birmingham, York, London, Lancaster, Peterborough, Leeds, Nottingham, Manchester, Sussex, Preston, Exeter.
- Launch of two new websites.

AGM16.3.1.3 Lee explained that the baseline participation figures had been established. The figures were developed from 3 national pieces of research data namely; Sport England Active People, Family Resource Survey and UKDS National Participation Survey. Total participation in the UK of 169,238 (84,222 in England) of which 87,584 under 65 Years of Age and 81,654 over 65 Year of Age. UKDS also developed participation rate in individual sports and identified potential latent demand and there will be further development to break down to Home Nation figure.

AGM16.3.1.4 Lee outlined the Plans moving forward which included the following; DEAFinitely inclusive accreditation, Coach Education, Insight and Effective Communication Training.

AGM16.3.1.5 Key Performance Indicators to measure success had been developed and includes; 12 new activities run through DEAFinitely Inclusive network partners, 108 deaf people participating in DEAFinitely Inclusive clubs, Accrediation of 36 DEAFinitely Inclusive clubs / 12 DEAFinitely inclusive facilities, 20 new level 1 and 2 Coaches and 224 coaches on Effective Communication Training.

AGM16.4 Deaflympics

AGM16.4.1 Daniel Lee, Trustee lead for Performance Committee, gave an update on performance sport planning including participation in the Deaflympics.

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- AGM16.4.2 The Board set up a sub-committee 'UKDS Performance Committee' to oversee the following; appointment of Chef de Mission, policies and procedures, support to sports, Logistics / Medical and Fundraising / PR.
- AGM16.4.3 UKDS Performance Committee had during the course of the year appointed Chris Ratcliffe as Chef De Mission through an open recruitment process.
- AGM16.4.4 Plans are underway to send a GB team to Deaflympics 2017 at Samsun, Turkey.
- AGM16.5 **Annual General Meeting**
- AGM16.5.1 The Chair officially opened the AGM.
- AGM16.6 **Minutes of the 15th November 2014 12th Annual General Meeting**
- RECEIVED & NOTED** Unconfirmed minutes of the annual general meeting of 29th March 2014
- APPROVED** The minutes were approved unanimously by the Members as an accurate record of the meeting.
- AGM16.7 **UKDS' Annual Report 2014-2015**
- AGM16.7.1 Craig Crowley, honorary president took the turn to present the Annual Report for the year 2014-2015 on behalf of Philip Gerrard, Chair during the year. 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"
- AGM16.7.2 The annual report showed the resources of £140,833 to increase participation project and £56,400 for national talent development project. During the year, the organisation changed legal status from registered charity to charitable company of which will operate live from 1.4.2016. A review of the board was undertaken and four new trustees were appointed as a result during the year to improve the skills and experience on the board.
- AGM16.7.3 UKDS were represented at International Committee for Deaf Sport (ICSD) 45th Congress and European for Deaf Sport (EDSO) 17th Congress during the year.
- AGM16.7.4 Future plans includes the following; continue to work on governance, complete transfer of current charity to charitable company, recruit further trustees to the board and identify further funding to continue strategic aims of UKDS.
- AGM16.8 **UKDS' Finance Report 2014-2015**

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RECEIVED & NOTED UKDS Unaudited Accounts 2014-2015.

AGM16.8.1 Gordon Hay, Trustee, on behalf of Philip Gerrard, Chair during the year, gave the summary of UKDS' Finances for the year end 2015. The results for the year are set out in the financial statements commencing on page 15. The charity secured income of £206,077 (2014 - £183,897) and includes the funding secured from Sport England to deliver the infrastructure and support for the development of deaf athletes. Expenditure amounted to £203,091 (2014 - £227,136) the decrease due to higher expenditure in the previous year relating to Deaflympics. A surplus was generated of £3,204 (2014 – deficit £43,113) resulting in total reserves at 31 March 2015 of £25,957.

AGM16.9 **Date of the UKDS' 14th Annual General Meeting**

AGM14.9.1 The UKDS' 14th Annual General Meeting will take place on 12th November 2016 in London.

Signed as an accurate record of proceedings by Piers Martin, Chair.

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