



A.G.M. Wednesday 26th May 2021
Online

Present: Gordon McCormack, Robin Walker, Andrew MacKenzie, Lewis McConnell, Peter Rankin, Gavin MacLeod, Jennifer Barsby, Denise Dunn, Gary Humes, Julie Cuzen, Alexis Fleming, John Owens, Nancy Peters

Apologies: Lesley Whitehead, Alec Watt, James Hemmingsley, Linda Innes, Gordon Innes, Andrew Steen, Irene Lochrin, Hilda Ure.

Minutes of AGM 2020: Minutes accepted as correct.

Proposed by: Denise Dunn

Seconded by: Gary Humes

Matters arising: Nothing arising

Financial Accounts:	Opening balance 1 st April 2020	£ 16,175.56
	Unrestricted funds	£ 549.69
	Restricted funds	£ 15,625.87
	Income for the year	£ 20,671.63
	Expenditure for the year	£ 13,494.40
	Closing balance for year	£ 23,352.79

Proposed by: Gary Humes

Seconded by: Julie Cuzen

The accounts have been independently audited, verified and signed off.

Co-ordinators Report: See end of report

Membership Fees 2021-2022: It was agreed that there would be no change to the Membership fees and charges would be suspended for the coming year.

Governance Documentation: Thank you to Robin and SDS for assisting with updating Governance Documentation. Two new policies have been Introduced – H & S Policy Statement and H & S & Covid Role Descriptor.

SCIO: The committee have agreed to incorporate GDS as a SCIO member. The new Committee will re-write the constitution and present at the next meeting and decide how to move forward with this.

AGM:

- **Chairs Report** - As published

- **Voting on Committee:**

Nomination for Chair – Robin Walker

Nominated by: Gordon McCormack

Seconded by: Denise Dunn

No other names were put forward and Robin duly accepted position.

Nominated for vice Chair - John Owens

Nominated by: Gordon McCormack

Seconded by: Robin Walker

No other names were put forward and John duly accepted position.

Nominated for Treasurer – Gary Humes

Nominated by: Robin Walker

Seconded by: Gordon McCormack

No other names were put forward and Gary duly accepted position

Committee members:

Irene Lochrin: Secretary

James Hemmingsley: Active Schools

Lewis McConnell: Athlete Rep

Andrew Steen:

Alexis Fleming/Philip Peek: Glasgow Life

Gordon McCormack:

Andrew MacKenzie: SDS

Jennifer Barsby SDS

Nancy Peters Co-ordinator/Safeguarding & Welfare Officer

Gordon thanked Julie for being Vice Chair and for all her hard work over the last 3 years and asked if she would stay on the committee. Julie stated that she joined GDS as she wanted to give back to disability sport and has thoroughly enjoyed being part of the steering group with SDS, but has asked to step down from the committee at this time.

Gavin thanked Gordon for all his hard work and commitment he has put into GDS over the years and he is delighted that Gordon is staying on as a committee member.

As there was no further business, Robin as new Chair, thanked everyone for attending the meeting and looked forward to the coming year.

GDS Co-ordinator Report 2021

2020 proved to be a very frustrating time. I felt I was just beginning to find my feet as GDS Co-ordinator and looking forward to the launch of our 3-year development plan when we went into lockdown.

Happily, things are now beginning to open up again, and we are hoping to hold small festivals in Bowls, Athletics and Football this year along with a bigger competition in swimming. A full calendar of events is being planned for 2022.

Through Zoom we have been able to hold regular Glasgow Disability group meetings with SDS, Glasgow Life and Active Schools. We have also held meetings with V.I. groups and I am hoping to start up a Glasgow Walking Group very soon.

Meeting have been taking place with City of Glasgow College regarding setting up a partnership and is looking very exciting.

During lockdown we have reviewed all our governance documents.

PVG's have been renewed when requested using the new online system, and I expect to be very busy once clubs get up and running again.

GDS organised Online Disability Inclusion Training and First Aid Awareness workshops which were offered to our member clubs and we had an excellent response for both courses.

Athletes from some of our clubs took part in fitness classes ran by HND Level 2 students at Glasgow Clyde College, and also took part in the SDS Virtual Pentathlon which was a great success.

Thanks to SDS who have provided us with 2 new sets of boccia balls, and also thera-bands.

Funding has proved very difficult over the last year, but we did receive funding from Trefoil, Persimmon Homes and also covid funding from Sports Council of Glasgow.

The virtual kiltwalk in April raised £2191.53. Thanks must go to students from City of Glasgow College and an anonymous donor who helped us achieve this.

We are busy finishing the Final report for the Robertson Trust who has supported us over the last 3 years and we are looking for new funding opportunities.

Throughout lockdown, I have kept in communication with our member clubs passing on relevant information and news, and look forward to the not too distant future when I can visit the clubs in person.

On ending, I would like to thank the committee and also SDS for all their hard work and support. It is very much appreciated. Thank you.

