



English Federation of Disability Sport

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EFDS Board Meeting Summary Notes

Held on Thursday 24 March 2016 at SportPark, Loughborough

1. Overview

As the last meeting in the 2015/16 financial year, Board focused principally on our 2016/17 objectives and budget.

2. EFDS Objectives 2016/17

2.1 These included elements that had been agreed within our Sport England funding submissions. The objectives were structured in order to define the key outcomes, delivery priorities and key performance indicators (KPIs) in relation to each of the following areas:

- Engagement
- Research and Insight
- Inclusive Fitness Initiative
- Events
- Organisational Effectiveness

2.2 The 2016/17 objectives are available on request or on our website.

3. EFDS Budget 2016/17

The 2016/17 budget was agreed showing the source of £3m income and setting out the detail of our key areas of planned expenditure over the coming year.

4. Strategy and Organisational Direction

4.1 Board built on previous discussions as well as taking into account shared intelligence on the direction of travel for the anticipated Sport England strategy. A number of adjustments and improvements were made to the strategic framework which had been out for consultation with all EFDS Members and Associate Members and would go forward to the July AGM. It was agreed that the values section needed to reinforce

the extent to which our vision (“Disabled people are active for life”) would be at the heart of everything we do ensuring the continued central positioning of disabled people in all of our work.

4.2 The latest version of the draft strategic framework has been widely circulated to Members and Associate Members and is available on request.

5. **Corporate Services Review**

Following a period of time of interim arrangements in the Finance and Admin functions at EFDS, Board noted the CEO’s proposals to review the Corporate Services structure and make any changes that would enable us to move forward in our expanded role (including in particular relating to the Get Out and Get Active programme).

6. **Fundraising**

An update was given on a range of fundraising activities including bids that had been submitted. In addition, there was an extended discussion about our relationship with Betway and it was clarified that it was the staff of the organisation who were fundraising for EFDS as the chosen charity rather than the organisation providing corporate sponsorship. However, Board took the opportunity to agree that there should be an ethical policy developed which would enable us to manage future investment in EFDS setting out in particular, organisation positions on: gambling; alcohol; tobacco; arms; fast food and the environment.

7. **AGM Preparation**

Board discussed arrangements for the Thursday 7 July 2016 AGM which would take place in stoke and the process for advertising, interviewing and proposing to Members potential Trustees including to replace the two Directors who would be retiring, Lee Mason and Rashmi Becker.