# Goalball UK Board Minutes

## Date & time of meeting

27/04/2023 10am

## Location

Teams Conference Call

## Attendees Initials Role

John Grosvenor JG Chair

Mark Winder MW CEO

Allegra Fowler-Wright AFW Non-Executive Director

Alison Burchell AB Non-Executive Director

Kate Coghlan KC Non-Executive Director

Peter Elliott PE Non-Executive Director

Ranjit Singh RS Non-Executive Director

## Apologies

Grace Clancey GC Senior Independent Director

Dyfrig Lewis-Smith DLS Non-Executive Director

## In attendance

Mark Martin MM Company Secretary

Charlotte Rooke CR Fundraising Lead – items 1 and 2 only

# MINUTES

## Welcome (verbal)

JG welcomed everyone to the meeting

AFW was introduced to the Board as it was her first meeting since appointment

## Fundraising presentation

CR presented to the Board, explaining her background, income targets, work done so far, future projects, development of strategy. Questions were taken from Board members.

## High performance update – FOR INFORMATION (1 paper)

MW took questions on behalf of Gary Fraser (GF, High Performance Lead) who had prepared a report. The Board acknowledged the greater degree of professionalism which GF had brought to the programme, whilst appreciating there were future challenges

## Declarations of interest

No new declarations noted

## Minutes of previous Board meeting – FOR APPROVAL

The draft minutes of the meeting held on 26 January were approved

## Action points from last meeting – FOR UPDATING

Schedule updated

## Decisions taken between board meetings – FOR INFORMATION

The Board approved the budget for the year ending 31st March 2024

## Finance and governance update – FOR INFORMATION (1 paper)

MM updated the Board on the appointment of Northern Accountants to lead on finance processing. Work is continuing with developing the high-performance budget through to 31st March 2024. The Board will be contacted in mid-May to approve the submission to Sport England in respect of compliance with the Code for Sports Governance.

## CEO report – FOR INFORMATION (1 paper)

MW presented his report in the style of the new operational dashboard and took questions from Board members. Areas commented on included:

* Resolution of a recent complaint had been a learning process, but thanks to those involved in the process
* The Backing The Best academy funding has ended. Replacement funding is actively being pursued
* Development of the fundraising department has presented significant early successes
* Increasing membership is now an objective. The Board asked how it could help

## Reports from the sub-committees – FOR INFORMATION (4 papers)

Risk Group – ownership by the Senior Leadership Team of the risk register is an area for development

Club & Competitions Committee – looking at improving competitive opportunities

PAT Group – covered in section 3

Finance & Operations Group – covered in section 8

## World Games update – FOR INFORMATION

Venue for goalball announced – Coventry Building Society Arena

A sub-group has been formed to consider games legacy.

The Board discussed the risks and opportunities associated with staging the games

## Safeguarding and equality – FOR information (Verbal)

No update provided in the absence of DLS and SC

## Any other business

No matters raised

## Date and time of Next meeting

3rd July 2023 – face-to-face meeting. London venue being sought.