

Board Report 1st March 2019

Regular Updates

1 Chairman's Update - Sandra Deaton welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 CEO's Report - Sara Sutcliffe confirmed 12 people had been appointed to the Members' Advisory Group, which would meet for the first time at the National Conference. The decision on the inclusion of Para Table Tennis at the 2022 Commonwealth Games has been pushed back to May from March. The Ping Pong Parlours project has been shortlisted for a Sports Industry Award.

3 Head of Operations Report - The risk register was reviewed. Board members were asked for availability to attend League and County AGMs.

4 Finance Report - The latest 2019/20 budgets were discussed. The 2018/19 budget will finish at a close to break-even position. Board agreed to continue the £2 increase in affiliation fees strategy and submit the proposition to the AGM. **NOTE:** this position was subsequently changed and agreed at emergency board meeting on the 25th March to remain at £16.

5 Operational Plan: Work on the 2019/20 plan is ongoing in collaboration with the Senior Leadership Team. Updates were provided on the 2018/19 plan, including progress with Sport:80 on the Tournament Management programme. A sub-group will be established to identify how MAG is going to move forward. Items for consideration by MAG likely to include rankings, competition review, volunteering and membership categories.

Matters for Discussion

6 Appointment of Chairman and Board Elections - The Board received an update on the Chairman recruitment process which should be concluded before the end of April. Information about the Election, including timetable, is now on the website.

7 British League - Board confirmed that Neil Rogers, Head of Competitions and Events will become Chairman of British League from the end of the current season. This is to ensure that British League is more aligned with the rest of the competition structure and other programmes. All the rest of current committee members are to be invited to continue.

8 IT projects - The new CRM system is entering test phase and is on track to go live on July 1. The Board was updated on the position of negotiations with TT365 regarding League Manager. The Board rejected the recently received proposal from TT365 but agreed to make a counter offer.

9 Company members and voting review - The Board was updated with recommendations from the sub group on company membership. It was agreed to put a proposition to the AGM.

10 National Council - Board was advised that the National Council has put together a working group to consider the future of the National Council