

# 1.1 UKU AGM Minutes – 12<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Supplementary information to these minutes can be found on the <u>presentation</u> for the AGM and the recording of the AGM (which was held online) on the <u>UKU Youtube channel</u>.

## 2. Agenda

Graham Mynott (GM) welcomed everyone to the meeting and provided an outline of the agenda.

- About UK Ultimate
- 2019 Review
- 2020 Update
- 2021-22 Looking Ahead

Usually the AGM is structured around the strategic plan, but given the disruption caused by covid 19 structuring the AGM as above was felt to be a more sensible way to review the organisation's activities

#### 3. About UK Ultimate

Graham Mynott (GM) and Si Hill (SH) outlined UKU's responsibilities as an organisation and the UKU members, staff, volunteers and partners who make up the organisation. In 2020 UKU had 3700 members, but we also saw that the community really does go much further than that.

GM briefly spoke about the organisation's strategic plan, and while much of it remains appropriate he highlighted that the Gender Equity theme is being broadened to focus on wider diversity and inclusion issues as led by the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion committee that is currently being formed.

#### 4. 2019 Review

Wayne Davey (WD) started the review of 2019 talking about the finances of the organisation, outlining the financial model that UKU works off and running through the major sources of income and expenditure. In 2019 there were a lot of GB squads which although they are run to break even, still involves a significant financial undertaking by UKU.

SH then moved on to discuss the progress made on schools Ultimate, and in particular in establishing Ultimate as part of the School Games. While this has been set back during 2020 for obvious reasons, 2019 saw some significant development in this area.

As noted in the finances section there were 19 GB teams in 2019, with 5 teams taking gold and 4 other medalists. Those teams also performed well in SOTG with 4 teams winning the SOTG award at their competition and 3 other teams in the top 3.

## 5. 2020 Update

2020 was dominated by the impact of covid-19 with most usual activities coming to a complete halt in March. The first part of the year saw a lot of time spent on dealing with the short term implications and impact, such as the cancellation of events and decisions around the governments furlough scheme. As the country came out of the first lockdown more time was spent managing the "return to play" across 4 nations and how that worked with the variety of restrictions in place across the UK.

In the summer UKU launched and ran a crowdfunding campaign, called Reset the Stall to try and fill the gap in UKU's finances caused by the impact of covid 19. Thanks to the amazing response of our members and community UKU raised £35,000 through that campaign.

WD talked briefly about the finances from 2020, highlighting the key impact that Reset the Stall, the government's furlough scheme and the pre-exisiting financial reserves have had. The cautious expectation is that UKU will break even on 2020.



## 6. 2021-22 Looking Ahead

SH laid out the assumptions that UKU are working off for 2021-20, with an expectation that:

- there will have been some loss of playersin 2020.
- it will be possible to play some competitive ultimate in 2021, however that won't necessarily look the same as the previous large scale UKU ranking event.
- UKU Coaching Courses should move to an online structure
- the impact and consequences of covid on Ultimate are not over

He went on to talk about the actions and priorities that are currently being drawn from the assumptions described. While there are obviously lots of limitations on what UKU is going to be able to do there is also an opportunity to focus on things that can happen.

## 7. Questions

SH invited attendees to raise any questions which led to discussions of:

- prioritisation of redesigning the website,
- the current status of BUCS competition in the university division.
- the return to play situation in schools.

There was no other business, and so GM thanked everyone for attending and the AGM was closed