

**MINUTES OF THE 45th
COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BENTLEY SUITE, GLEBE HOTEL, WARWICK ON SATURDAY 7TH APRIL
2018 at 14.30.**

TRUSTEES PRESENT	Mr David Marshall	Chairman - SAKA
	Mr Michael Abbott	Treasurer - Gloucestershire KPA
	Miss Tracey Sinclair	Secretary – Wessex KPA
	Mr James Barr	Lancashire & South Cumbria KPA
	Mr John Burdett	Northamptonshire KPA
	Mr Brian Child	North East KPA
	Mr Jim Higgins	Northamptonshire KPA
	Mr David MacDonald	Wessex KPA
	Mr George Palmer	Exeter & District KPA
	Mr Richard Van Roon	Six Counties KPA

In attendance	Mr Kenneth Tupling	President
	Mr Timothy Statham	Chief Executive
	Mr Peter Revell	Head of Fundraising
	Mrs Andrea Brown	Office Manager
	Mrs Donna Blizzard	Senior Office & Accounts Administrator

There were 18 Official voting delegates (as per the attendance register) and 31 non-voting delegates as per the attendance Register.

A quorum of 30% of official representatives was met.

658 Welcome and Apologies for absence – David Marshall welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies had been received from Ralph and Carol Slattery – Addenbrookes KPA, David Myers - Royal Free Hospital KPA, Holly Loughton – Lancashire & South Cumbria KPA, Wajid Iqbal - Manchester Royal Infirmary KPA and Guy Richards - Exeter & District KPA.

659 Minutes of the Council meeting held on 15th October 2017 – Minutes of the meeting had been circulated prior to the meeting.

It was proposed by Louis Toussaint – Royal Free Hospital KPA, seconded by Judith Sidaway – Dudley KPA and agreed by all who attended the meeting to accept the minutes of the meeting held 15th October 2017.

660 Matters arising – Kirit Modi – Lister Area KPA, stated it was an exciting time for the NKF.

It was pleasing to see a balanced budget and financial stability.

Kidney Life now had a new Editor, Sumaya Masood, with new ideas.

Nationally ‘Opting Out’ was the most significant development in England for many years.

The time was favourable for the new Executive Committee to work together with the new

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to produce a new ambitious five-year development plan, NKF required a vision.

Michael Abbott thanked NKF staff for their help with NKF finances.

David Marshall said the five-year plan would start to take shape when the new CEO was in post; the groundwork was all in place.

Timothy Statham thought changing the CEO at almost the same time as changing the Chairman would cause a continuity problem within NKF. It would be wise for the current Chairman to stay on for another year. David Marshall explained he had been co-opted into the position of Chairman and therefore could stand as Chairman for another year. David Marshall stated he would stand next year as Chairman. He looked forward to working with the new CEO.

Guy Hill – Manchester Royal Infirmary KPA, was disappointed KPAs had not been asked for their views on the employment of the new CEO.

David Marshall explained the employment process had started eighteen months ago and had been robust and professional; the Executive Committee had been included in the whole process.

Timothy Statham stated renal knowledge was a requirement to being CEO, without this, the new CEO would not get a hold on the job and it would take two to three years for them to learn about renal properly.

661 NKF Conference 19th – 21st October 2018 – Andrea Brown gave a conference update in the absence of the Conference Chairman, Holly Loughton. The Numbers attending the last conference had dropped, this year the conference was at Blackpool, which was a popular venue and hopefully the numbers would increase.

The cost of attending the conference weekend had been subsidised due to receiving good sponsorship. As cost was always a major factor affecting the number of delegates, it was hoped this would make it more affordable and increase attendance.

The conference programme was still in its draft form.

The Gala dinner menu had not yet been decided.

Andrea Brown requested if anyone had any queries they could call her at the HQ office in Worksop.

662 Open Forum – No questions.

David Marshall thanked everyone for their attendance at this meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.05pm.

Chairman Date