

**MINUTES OF THE 43rd  
COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE ARDEN HOTEL, COVENTRY ROAD, BIRMINGHAM ON SATURDAY  
1st APRIL 2017 AT 14.30.**

<b>TRUSTEES PRESENT</b>	Mr D Marshall	Chairman - SAKA
	Mr M Abbott	Treasurer - Gloucestershire KPA
	Mrs D Abbott	Gloucestershire KPA
	Mr J Barr	Lancs & South Cumbria KPA
	Mr J Burdett	Northamptonshire KPA
	Mr J Higgins	Northamptonshire KPA
	Mr W Iqbal	Manchester Royal Infirmary KPA
	Mr D MacDonald	Wessex KPA
	Mr G Richards	Exeter & District KPA
	Mr R Sanghani	Royal Derby KPA
	Ms T Sinclair	Wessex KPA
	Mr R Van Roon	Six Counties KPA

<b>In attendance</b>	Mr K Tupling	President
	Mr T Statham	Chief Executive
	Mr P Revell	Head of Fundraising
	Mrs A Brown	Office Manager
	Mrs D Blizard	Senior Office & Accounts Administrator

There were 18 Official voting delegates (as per the attendance register) and 34 non-voting delegates as per the attendance Register.

A quorum of 30% of official representatives was met.

- 646 Welcome and Apologies for absence** – David Marshall welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies had been received from Anne Glover – Southport Kidney Fund, Alison Blezard – South East Scotland KPA, David Myers – Royal Free Hospital KPA, John Roberts – Hope KPA and David Errington – Tyneside KPA.
- 647 Minutes of the Council meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016** – Minutes of the meeting had been circulated in the delegate packs. David Marshall requested Item 641 be changed from, William Beale stated £150K to William Beale stated £65k. It was proposed by Michael Horton, Coventry & Warwickshire KPA, seconded by Louis Toussaint, Royal Free Hospital KPA and agreed unanimously to accept the minutes of the meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016.
- 648 Matters arising** – Kirit Modi, Lister Area KPA asked for an update on NKF's plans to appoint a new NKF Chief Executive Officer when Timothy Statham retires. David Marshall informed the

meeting the Chief Executive Officer was a key role within NKF and the Executive Committee had employed a specialist to assist them in this matter. The new Executive Committee would set up a small subcommittee to carry out the initial work to enable the Executive to employ a suitable Chief Executive Officer. Kirit Modi stated he was delighted a professional had been appointed to help with this task, the person would need to be a strong leader who's key roles would be managing budgets and staff and also campaigning with government. He thought when the position was advertised it would attract much interest. Kirit Modi hoped one of the criteria for the position would be that the successful applicant would be a kidney patient or carer. There would also need to be a transition period working alongside Timothy Statham. Denise Abbott requested an update on NKF's position with HMRC and reclaiming the VAT paid on the purchase price of NKF HQ. David Marshall explained Streets Accountants had a specialist VAT partner who had taken the task on. The question regarding VAT had been asked but no answer had been received as yet.

**649 NKF Conference 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> October 2017** – Denise Abbott apologised for not attending last year's conference but the feedback she had received was positive. The 2017 conference will be held at Hinckley Island Hotel in Leicester on 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> October. There was good news as Nx Stage had provided sponsorship which enabled prices to be lowered. Stannigly Pharma had also provided sponsorship for Friday night, enabling the cost of this to be subsidised. Saturday night entertainment is a disco. The programme was a varied one with a balance of clinicians, carers and patients. Hopefully there will be a proportionate balance of generations to ensure all have been catered for.

**650 Open Forum** – Guy Hill, Manchester Area KPA asked if NKF had a policy on privatisation. Timothy Statham informed him there was a section on policies put onto the NKF website around ten years ago. He suggested that the Executive Committee should look at the policies and update them if required. Michael Abbott was concerned NKF's name was being put on official documents without NKF's knowledge, he requested that if anyone suspected this to check with HQ.

David Marshall thanked everyone for their attendance at this meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 15.00.

Chairman ..... Date .....