



**SCOTTISH UNIVERSITIES SPORT AGM**  
Sports Hall, Garscube Sports Complex, Glasgow University  
13<sup>th</sup> June 2007, 3.00pm

**PRESENT**

Abertay, University of  
Ian Lowe (Sports Development Officer)

Aberdeen, University of  
David Beattie (Director), Jackie Davidson (Teaching Assistant), James Fairwood (out-going AU President), Gordon Cox (in-coming Sports President), Campbell Scott (Sports Development Team), Scott Duncan (Operations Assistant), Neil McDonald (Operations Assistant), Kenny Gunnyeon (Assistant Operations Manager)

Dundee, University of  
Brian Ewing (Director), Osla Allen (Exercise Co-ordinator), Hazel Ednie (Specialist Populations Co-ordinator), Anna Anderson (Sports Union President)

Edinburgh, University of  
Jim Aitken (Director), Louise Campbell (Assistant Director), June Adamson (QA and Programme Development), Ed Nicholas (out-going AU President), Simon Messenger (In-coming AU President), Steve Bishop (Strength and Conditioning), James Hair (Ex-Student)

Glasgow, University of  
Julie Ommers (Director), Alan Francis (Service Development Teacher), Euan Smith (Performance Sport Coordinator), Grant Reilly (Marketing and Business Development Manager), Rod McCauley (Service Development Teacher), Julie Falls (Service Development Teacher), Mark Huddleston (Sports Development Officer), Carol Stuart (Customer Service Manager), Graham Smith (out-going Sports President), Kerry Anderson (in-coming Sports President), Julie Woolfries (Admin Assistant)

Glasgow Caledonian University  
Gordon McTweed (Activities Co-ordinator), Chris Wilson (out-going Sports President), Steve Rea (in-coming Sports President), Robert Totten (Development)

Heriot-Watt University  
Mike Fitchett (Director), Juliet Balfour (Exercise Development Co-ordinator), Ross Campbell (Sport Scholarship Coordinator), Andrew Mallon (out-going Sports President), Eddie Bryant (in-coming Sports President)

Napier University  
David Waddell (in-coming SU President)

Paisley University  
Paul Thomson (out-going Vice-President Sports & Societies), Siobhan Wilson (in-coming Vice-President Sports & Societies)

The Robert Gordon University  
Filippo Antoniazzi (Director), Neil Brown (Sport Programmes Manager), Andrew Smith (Sports Union President), Emma Fisher (Operations Assistant), Lorna Picken (Sports Facilities Manager), Margery Heath (Office Administrator)

St. Andrews, University of  
Martin Farrally (Director), Debby Sargent (Fitness & Exercise Development Manager), Matt Adcock (Sports Development Officer), Christopher Berry (out-going AU President)

Stirling, University of  
Orla Gilmore (Sports Performance Co-ordinator), Eilidh Bartlett (Grad Assistant), Jennifer Savage (in-coming SU President)

### Strathclyde, University of

Niall Sturrock (Head of Sport and Recreation), Angus Stevenson (out-going SU President), Lucy Botham (incoming SU President), Marcus Dowds (Health and Fitness Instructor)

### University of Highlands and Islands

Dougie MacDonald (Senior Sport & Science Lecturer), John Coogans (Sports Lecturer), Miles Fuller (Facilities Manager), Amy Allan (President - UHISA), Michael Bates (UHISA Vice President)

### SDCs

In addition to those listed elsewhere above: Alan Easson (Rowing), Mark Ritchie (Squash)

### SUS

Jacqui Stone (Executive Officer), Stewart Fowlie (Sports Programme Manager)

## **1. WELCOME AND SCENE SETTING**

Jim Aitken (in the Chair) welcomed everyone to the second annual general meeting of Scottish Universities Sport (SUS). Apologies for absence were noted on behalf of: Corinne Menzies, Raleigh Gowrie, Judith Ramsay, Louise Frank, Liz Kerr, Anne-Marie Hughes, Seona MacKenzie, Barry Earl, Paul McPate, Emily Knight, Colin Grahamslaw, John Innes, Bill Sharkey and Steven Wicks. Many of the Honorary Life Vice Presidents had also sent good wishes for SUS and apologies for not being present.

## **2. NOTES OF EGM**

The notes from the EGM held of 14<sup>th</sup> December 2006 in Stirling, circulated previously, were accepted as a true and accurate record, proposed by Andrew Mallon (HW) and seconded by Brian Ewing (Dundee).

## **3. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS**

There were no recommended constitutional amendments.

## **4. ANNUAL REPORTS**

The annual reports were pre-circulated and only summarised here.

### **Executive Council**

Jim Aitken offered an update on the actions of the Executive Council. These included the new format of meetings incorporating guests; finance; planning and policy; advocacy and acknowledgments. Thanks were offered to David Beattie for his work as internal auditor and to Jim for his magnificent chairing.

### **Competitions Committee**

In the absence of Raleigh Gowrie, Stew outlined the annual report of the Competitions Committee. The report included the formalising of the competition programmes; supporting the work of SDCs; working more closely with SGBs and enhancing the student experience. Raleigh Gowrie was thanked for his leadership of the committee over the last two years.

### **Physical Activity Committee**

Juliet Balfour gave a comprehensive overview of the activity of SUSPAC over the last year. This included the Active Age Festival and SUSPAC Roadshow; the creation of flyers, a newsletter and good practice guide; links with ILAM, PAHA and Bases.

### **Professional Development Committee**

Osla Allen gave a round-up of the activities of the Professional Development Committee in 2006/07. PDC had been working in the following areas: Audit; Website; Christmas Seminar and Annual Conference; creation of

a student handbook. Thanks were offered to Judith Ramsay and John Taylor for their work with the Audit, Image Logistics for the website, Stirling and Glasgow for hosting fantastic events and to Ian Lowe for his continued work on the student handbook. Osla was also recognised for her dedication to PDC over the last two years.

## AU FORUM

Thanks were offered to Ed Nicholas for chairing the AU Forums during the year. These had proved productive and high level exchanges, and had seen good work for SUS and BUSA making sure the student voice is heard.

The acceptance of the annual reports was proposed by Juliet Balfour (HW) and seconded by Ross Campbell (HW).

## 5. FINANCIALS

Following the inclusion of the financial spreadsheets for period 10 in the AGM papers Jim Aitken outlined that SUS were in a good place financially and would complete the year with a small surplus. As per last year the accounts would be presented to David Beattie for auditing and would seek formal approval at an EGM at the Christmas Seminar.

The Executive Council held the view of maintaining the fees at the current level. The Exec would also seek £10,000 from the new BUSA/UCS organisation this year as per last year.

There was a unanimous vote in favour of adopting the same financial contributions as last year and accepting the proposed budget.

## 6. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS - 2006/07

Nominations had been received for all of the positions in the various committees.

### SUS Executive Council

Jim Aitken was re-elected in the role of Chair of the Executive Council for the forthcoming year.

Position	Nominee	Nominated by	Seconded by
Director / Assistant Director	Mike Fitchett (Heriot-Watt)	Julie Ommer (Glasgow)	Brian Ewing (Dundee)
Director / Assistant Director	Filippo Antoniazzi (RGU)	David Beattie (Aberdeen)	Jim Aitken (Edinburgh)
AU President	Anna Anderson (Dundee)	Juliet Balfour (Heriot-Watt)	Debby Sargent (St Andrews)
AU President	Andy Smith (RGU)	Ed Nicholas (Edinburgh)	James Fairwood (Aberdeen)

All four candidates were elected unopposed onto the SUS Executive Council.

Congratulations were relayed to all candidates.

### SUS Executive Council 2006-2007

Jim Aitken (Chair)  
 Mike Fitchett  
 Filippo Antoniazzi  
 Anna Anderson  
 Andy Smith  
*(plus the 3 Chairs+1 of the Committees)*

## SUS Competitions' Committee

Raleigh Gowrie was standing down from the role of Chair of the Competitions Committee for the forthcoming year and so a new Chair was to be elected.

Position	Nominee	Nominated by	Seconded by
Chair	Mark Ritchie (Heriot-Watt)	Brian Ewing (Dundee)	David Beattie (Aberdeen)
AU President	Lucy Botham (Strathclyde)	Angus Stevenson (Strathclyde)	Ian Lowe (Aberdeen)
AU President	Eddie Bryant (Heriot-Watt)	Chris Wilson (Glasgow Caledonian)	Paul Thomson (Paisley)
AU President	Kerry Anderson (Glasgow)	Andy Smith (RGU)	Angus Stevenson (Strathclyde)
AU President	Steve Rea (Glasgow Caledonian)	Graham Smith (Glasgow)	Andrew Mallon (Heriot-Watt)
Department	Mark Huddleston (Glasgow)	Euan Smith (Glasgow)	Julie Ommer (Glasgow)
Department	Ross Campbell (Heriot-Watt)	Filippo Antoniazzi (RGU)	Niall Sturrock (Strathclyde)
Department	Raleigh Gowrie (Stirling)	Filippo Antoniazzi (RGU)	Niall Sturrock (Strathclyde)
Department	Matt Adcock (St. Andrews)	Chris Berry (St Andrews)	Paul Thomson (Paisley)
SDC	Paul McPate (Dundee)	Osla Allen (Dundee)	Lorna Picken (RGU)

All nominations were accepted and the nominees elected onto the competitions committee.

Congratulations were relayed to all successful candidates.

### SUS Competitions' Committee 2006-2007

Mark Ritchie (Chair)  
Lucy Botham  
Eddie Bryant  
Kerry Anderson  
Steve Rea

Ross Campbell  
Matt Adcock  
Raleigh Gowrie  
Mark Huddleston  
Paul McPate

## SUS Physical Activity Committee

Juliet Balfour confirmed she would remain in post as chair of SUSPAC for at least the coming year.

Position	Nominee	Nominated by	Seconded by
Department	Debby Sargent (St. Andrews)	Lyndsay Gallacher (St Andrews)	John Scott (St Andrews)
Department	Alan Francis (Glasgow)	Mark Huddleston (Glasgow)	Euan Smith (Glasgow)
Department	Hazel Ednie (Dundee)	Paul McPate (Dundee)	Jackie Davidson (Aberdeen)
Department	Jackie Davidson (Aberdeen)	David Beattie (Aberdeen)	Hazel Ednie (Dundee)
AU President	Anna Anderson (Dundee)	Juliet Balfour (Heriot-Watt)	Debby Sargent (St. Andrews)
AU President	Siobhan Wilson (Paisley)	Paul Thomson (Paisley)	Andrew Mallon (Heriot-Watt)

All nominees were duly elected for the Physical Activity Committee.

Congratulations were relayed to all successful candidates.

## SUS Physical Activity Committee 2006-2007

Juliet Balfour (Chair)  
Debby Sargent  
Alan Francis  
Jackie Davidson

Hazel Ednie  
Siobhan Wilson  
Anna Anderson

## SUS Professional Development Committee

Osla Dougal was stepping down as Chair of the Professional Development Committee for this next year and so a new Chair was sought.

Position	Nominee	Nominated by	Seconded by
Chair	Orla Gilmore (Stirling)	Judith Ramsay (Stirling)	Hazel Ednie (Dundee)
Department	Osla Allen (Dundee)	Paul McPate (Dundee)	Judith Ramsay (Stirling)
Department	Lorna Picken (RGU)	Hazel Ednie (Dundee)	Osla Allen (Dundee)
Department	Ian Lowe (Abertay)	Osla Allen (Dundee)	Ross Campbell (Heriot-Watt)
Department	Anne-Marie Hughes (Strathclyde)	Osla Allen (Dundee)	Niall Sturrock (Strathclyde)
AU President	Gordon Cox (Aberdeen)	James Fairwood (Aberdeen)	Anna Anderson (Dundee)

All nominees standing were elected onto the SUS Professional Development Committee.

Congratulations were relayed to all candidates.

## SUS Professional Development Committee 2006-2007

Orla Gilmore (Chair)  
Anne-Marie Hughes  
Ian Lowe

Osla Allen  
Lorna Picken  
Gordon Cox

## 7. NOMINATIONS AND OTHER ELECTIONS

### Internal Auditor

David Beattie (University of Aberdeen) was duly re-elected proposed by Juliet Balfour (HW) and seconded by Mike Fitchett (HW). Thanks were expressed to David.

### SUS Representative for UCS

It was agreed unanimously that Jim Aitken, as SUS Chair, should continue to serve as the Scottish representative on the UCS Management committee.

### Honorary President/Patron

It was noted that no nominations had been received for SUS honorary President/Patron.

### Schools Associations (SPEA/SCPE)

Due to the apparent inactivity of School PE Associations, no SUS representation was deemed necessary. This role would remain under review.

### Honorary Life Vice President

It was noted that no nominations had been received for SUS honorary Life Vice President.

## 8. OTHER BUSINESS

Any other competent business was invited.

In the absence of any further business, Jim concluded the meeting by thanking everyone for their attendance and involvement. Special thanks and well wishes were offered to those moving on including the AU Presidents, Martin Farrally for his retirement, and Raleigh Gowrie and Osla Allen for their hard work and commitment throughout the life of SUS to date. Thanks were also noted to Stew Fowlie and Jacqui Stone for their enthusiasm and dedication to the business of SUS. The meeting closed looking ahead to another great year for SUS.