

<b>BUSA/UCS Developments</b>
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A number of SUS Directors and Presidents were in attendance at the recent BUSA/UCS symposium, held in Coventry on January 18<sup>th</sup>. Some others, who shall remain nameless, gave up half-way there in light of some mild traffic disruptions...

In all, there were a total of approximately 150 delegates present, from a broad spectrum of institutions across the UK (including members from Wales and Northern Ireland)

The Symposium, at which SUS gave a keynote presentation, has been broadly greeted as a success, with memberships of both BUSA and UCS showing overwhelming support for the imminent creation of one new organisation.

The 'vote' was unanimously in favour within the UCS members present, while the BUSA representatives were approximately 85% in favour of the principle of one organisation for HE sport and physical activity.

Whilst this 'vote' was indicative only (not constitutionally binding) it does give both organisations a platform/ mandate to proceed with the next stage of work.

An implementation group will now be convened in order to address much of the detail of the proposed organisation, including the constitution, financial structure, staffing arrangements, decision making procedures, charitable status and range of services.

It may be appropriate for SUS to offer some input to this group in light of the previous experience gained in Scotland and in the hope that the new organisation has every chance of a successful launch in June of 2006.

**SUS Executive is asked to consider the following:**

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SUS to consider formal offer of support to the British University Sport implementation group
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