

**Minutes of the Meeting
of the British Equestrian Federation
Board of Directors
held on Wednesday 30 May 2018
at 0900 hrs by conference call**

Chair: Mohamed Elsarky (ME)

Directors Present: Christine Blackford (CB)
Sarah Broughton (SB)
Barry Johnson (BJ)
Jane Nixon (JN)
Tim Holderness-Roddam (THR)
Kevan Taylor (KT)
Martyn Wilks (MW)
Claire Williams (CW)

In Attendance: Nick Fellows (NF) CEO
Maggie Moreton (MM) Head of Secretariat
Jan Rogers (JR) Head of Equine Development

Apologies: Lotte Olsen (LO)
Julia Biddle (JB)
Jess Cook (JC)

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1.	ME thanked everyone for joining the call at short notice. It had become evident from the last Board meeting and at the Workshop with the Members that there were many questions on when the decision to discontinue work previously undertaken by the equine development portfolio of BEF was made. ME had investigated the documented background and this initially stemmed from BEF not having the ability to fund this portfolio's activity in 2017 and Sport England withdrawing its financial support for equine development/breeding.	
2.	<p><i>Jan Rogers joined the meeting at this point</i></p> <p>JR produced a chronology of events for the Board following the changes in UKS funding for the 2017-2021 Olympiad. It was noted that the Futurity Programme was funded through British Breeding and Equine Bridge through BEF, and BEF provided the team of people on the ground to run the programmes. The running of the programmes covered their own costs but not the staff to administer them.</p> <p>A tender process was launched in the Autumn of 2017 for the most competent team to run the former Equine Development Programmes. In October 2017 an open session took place, following which two groups emerged with a bid. Group 1 was an external company and Group 2 was made up of the Olympic</p>	

	<p>Disciplines.</p> <p>The letter to the Board from Sacha Shaw dated 3 May set out how the new company proposed to take the programmes forward, and the benefits the Olympic Disciplines could still enjoy from Futurity, in addition to their NED appointments to the board of the new company.</p> <p><i>JR left the meeting at this point.</i></p>	
3.	<p>ME summarised the situation for the Board and asked for 3 board members to form a working group with NF to support him in formalising terms. It was agreed this would be LO, JN and THR.</p>	LO/JN/THR
4.	<p>The Working Group was formally directed by the Board to negotiate the following terms and was given delegated authority to finalise the agreement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BEF representation on the new company board in addition to Olympic Disciplines CEOs • No loss of control outside of UK • If standard of performance is not met, domain name goes back to BEF and transfer of data back to BEF • BEF needs to draft agreement and drive terms as BEF has not formally approved these changes • Trade names clarified – Equine Bridge, British Breeder magazine • NF to communicate with JR representing new company • Board needs to be aware of time constraints for entrants for the Futurity Programme – new company may choose to use another domain for these entries. <p>The WG was asked to ensure the Olympic disciplines' CEOs are kept up to speed on this and to provide regular updates to the Board on progress. The Chair asked that the WG came back to the Board on any issues.</p>	NF & WG
5.	<p>British Breeder Magazine</p> <p>The Board agreed the WG should investigate a request received by NF relating to this magazine.</p>	NF & WG

Chair