



BASES Annual General Meeting 2023

Thursday 16 November 2023, 5:15 pm, Ricoh Business Lounge South, CBS Arena, Coventry and remote participation, via WebinarJam

Attendees: I Akubat FBASES, E Avraam, P Aggokabo, D Bailey, L Board FBASES, L Bottoms FBASES, D Broom FBASES, E Bradley, N Berter, R Cloak, L Cooper, K Daniels, R Davison FBASES, K Dawes, T Devonport FBASES, B Dobson, W Donald, A Dube, K Fraser, A Gledhill FBASES, A Grainger FBASES, D Gordon, C Harwood FBASES, J Hewsman, E Kavanagh, C Kirk, J Kingham, G Koral, A Lane FBASES, K Lewis FBASES, C Mahoney FBASES, L McNaughton FBASES, A Miles FBASES, A Mitchell FBASES, M Morris, M Price FBASES, M Sarkar, A Smith FBASES, C Smith, S Stockwell, V Tidmas, K Tolfrey FBASES, V Tolfrey FBASES, A Whitehead.

Apologies: none received.

BASES Staff: J Bairstow, E Forsyth, J Gillott, S Watson, I Wilson.

Minutes: J Bairstow.

In the Chair: Prof Zoe Knowles FBASES.

Z Knowles welcomed all to the 2023 BASES AGM, saying it was pleasing to see so many members join in person after a great opening day of the 2023 Annual Conference. She explained that there were some members who were unable to physically be at the Annual Conference who had joined the AGM via WebinarJam.

Z Knowles explained that the AGM would not be recorded but that the slide deck would be made available to all members following the meetings. She asked that for those members joining on WebinarJam to please have their microphones muted and if they lost connection during the meeting, to try to re-connect so staff could let them back into meeting.

Z Knowles explained that, since our last AGM, BASES was extremely sad to learn of the passing of a number of stalwarts of the Association and Sport and Exercise Science profession, and wanted to recognise the work of Dr Roger Ramsbottom FBASES, Dr Kieran Kingston and Prof Steve Blair.

Z Knowles explained that the meeting would focus on the review of 2022-23 and, as the presentation advanced, if there were any queries or comments, those present in the room could raise their hand and for those joining remotely, they could post any queries in the comments box, and we would try to answer as many as possible.

Z Knowles stated that the minutes from the 2022 AGM had been shared after last year's AGM and that there had been no feedback about any errors or omissions. Members physically present were asked to show hands if they were happy to sign off as a true record and for members joining remotely, they used the Poll to show they were happy to sign off as a true record. **All approved.**

Z Knowles advised the membership of the <u>Board Members for 2022-23</u>: Chair: Prof Zoe Knowles FBASES, Division Chairs: Dr Ibrahim Akubat FBASES, Dr Lindsay Bottoms FBASES (Deputy Chair), Dr Adam Gledhill FBASES, Prof Kiara Lewis FBASES, Dr Andrew Mitchell FBASES, Non-Executive Directors: Greg Koral, Dr Helen Rippon, James Tugwell, Susan Went (Senior Non-Executive Director), Chief Executive Officer: Ian Wilson.

Z Knowles thanked all Directors for their hard work and efforts over this last 12 months. She noted that this meeting would be A Gledhill's final commitment as Director and Division Chair, as he has concluded his current tenure. She thanked Adam for his hard work and support over the last three years and presented him with a gift on behalf of the Board and BASES, advising that Dr Amy Whitehead is the incoming Chair for the Psychology Division.

Z Knowles advised that this was year three of the 2021 – 2025 Strategy, reminding members that the Strategic Objectives are:

- 1. To enhance BASES status as *the* professional standards body for sport and exercise sciences in the UK
- 2. To grow BASES reputation as the leading expert body for sport and exercise sciences through strategic partnerships and advocacy
- 3. To drive step-change in membership by enhancing our value proposition to sport and exercise science professionals
- 4. To establish financial sustainability through new and existing secure and long-term income streams
- 5. To develop our governance model and define our organisational status to support the effective delivery of the BASES mission
- Z Knowles stated that the <u>2022 2023 Annual Report</u> informs how we have continued to address these five strategic objectives, for which many of the updates will be included within this year's achievements within the presentation.
- Z Knowles explained today's overview would look at some achievements and performances over the 2022-23 period, including the financial statements to end March 2023.
- Z Knowles noted that in part due to the current global cost of living crisis and a reduction in real household disposable income, the Association had decreased its membership over the last year. The average total membership for the period (September 2022 August 2023) was 2,584 compared to 2,731 in the previous year, a decline of 5%. Positively, she noted there had been a 44% increase in Graduate members, ending the year at 303, and a small increase in Professional members. However, there were declines in the other membership categories, at the year-end.

She noted that our social medial following had continued to grow, and as of August 2023, the biggest increase was seen in both Instagram followers and LinkedIn members. X (Twitter) followers remained high at over 32,600.

Z Knowles noted that the BASES membership satisfaction survey provides the Association with views from members on the products and services that it offers as part of its membership packages. She advised that this year's survey, conducted in December 2022, showed the number one reason why respondents joined BASES (70%) is because BASES is the UK's professional body for sport and exercise sciences. 77% of members were either 'satisfied' or 'somewhat satisfied' with BASES membership – a small decrease of 1% from 2020. She stated that *The Sport and Exercise Scientist* (TSES) and webinars continued to be the highest rated of BASES member benefits, advising that members can see a summary of the survey results on the website (here).

Z Knowles explained that work continues to review, update and promote current benefits, noting that members were advised in April 2023 of a <u>new partnership with Dell Technologies UK</u> to offer BASES members a range of exclusive discounts.

Z Knowles explained that the work of <u>BASES professional standards</u> had continued, stating that 398 members now hold <u>BASES Sport & Exercise Scientist Accreditation</u>; 177 are <u>Chartered Scientists</u>; 53 hold <u>Certified Exercise Practitioners</u>; and 28 are <u>High Performance Sport Accredited</u>. Z Knowles reminded the members that SEPAR, the <u>Sport and Exercise Psychology Accreditation Route</u>, was launched in January 2020, and a further 89 candidates had enrolled this year, taking the total since January 2020 to 221. She added that this year, 10 candidates were confirmed by the SEPAR Advisory Group (SEPAR AG) as being SEPAR complete and eligible to apply to the <u>Health and Care Professions Council</u> (HCPC) register, noting that this brings to 29 the number of candidates who have 'graduated' through SEPAR since its launch in January 2020.

She stated that there are currently 198 members undertaking <u>Supervised Experience</u>, that 15 <u>physiology labs</u> were accredited or re-accredited last year and that 98 university <u>undergraduate</u> <u>courses</u> were endorsed, spanning 53 institutions.

Regarding the BASES Postgraduate SEPAR Endorsement Scheme, which was designed to allow registrants to evidence, expediently, the completion of an appropriate M-level qualification for entry onto the SEPAR, which covers the relevant knowledge-based HCPC Standards of Proficiencies, Z Knowles advised that 11 universities now have M-level Psychology courses that are endorsed by BASES.

Regarding technical updates, Z Knowles explained that over the year, the SEPAR programme was subject to a review carried out by independent consultant, Dr Paula Watson. Given that the programme is now more established and there are several candidates now coming towards the end of their training, it was felt this was an ideal opportunity to review processes for and experiences of candidates, supervisors and reviewers. This review resulted in several changes to the SEPAR programme, which will come into effect for January 2024 submissions onwards.

She explained that a Task and Finish Group was formed in October '22 to discuss what place BASES Certified Exercise Practitioner has in the industry. A survey was sent out to all BASES CEP members to gather feedback and to establish if a name change would be beneficial to prevent confusion with Clinical Exercise Physiology (CEP-UK). Feedback strongly suggested that there is definitely a place for BASES CEP and a name change could be useful, although that was not unanimous. The next steps are to consider any name change and to promote the relevance of the award

Z Knowles explained that Clinical Exercise Physiology UK (CEP-UK) was established in September 2021 and is the group setting the standards for UK Clinical Exercise Physiologists. Over the past 12-months, CEP-UK, an Advisory Group of BASES, has been working to further advocate and promote Clinical Exercise Physiology as a healthcare profession. The number of registered CEPs has increased to 65 effective registrants, with a further 17 applications in review. Recent communications to gage interest in registration have highlighted that this number is likely to grow significantly over the next 12 months. Plans to increase CPD provision for CEPs and delivery of events specifically for CEPs should also assist with growth in the number of registrations.

Z Knowles noted the HE Endorsement Scheme Advisory Group had worked with the EDI Advisory Group and the Climate Change Action Team to develop a new Postgraduate Endorsement Scheme, for which three Universities (Chichester University, University of East London, and York St John University) piloted the scheme this autumn. Two further interested HEIs (Anglia Ruskin University and Portsmouth University) have been invited to submit over November 2023. The HE Endorsement Scheme Advisory Group is currently working with the Laboratory Accreditation Advisory Group to align information requested from HEIs in both Course and Lab endorsement applications to try and make this more streamlined. She explained that the next focus for the HE Endorsement Scheme Advisory Group is to review the BUES endorsement criteria to update EDI and climate change / sustainability criteria.

Z Knowles cited a number of partnerships and relationships, both domestically and internationally, that had developed and flourished this year. She highlighted a couple:

- BASES had signed a new Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the <u>Sports Nutrition Group of the Association for UK Dieticians</u> (BDA).
- The MoU with the <u>Association for Applied Sport Psychology</u> (AASP) was updated, as were the MoUs with <u>Exercise & Sports Science Australia</u> and the <u>Canadian Society for Exercise Physiology</u>.
- Details of all updated agreements can be found on the BASES website.

Z Knowles stated that the <u>BASES Conference 2022</u> had taken place on 15-16 November at King Power Stadium, Leicester, with two inspiring days filled with world-leading insight and expertise. She noted that this was the first in person event since November 2019. Baroness Campbell of Loughborough DBE, Director of Women's Football at the FA had opened the conference with the invited keynote: - 'Maximising performance'. Following this was a day of thought-provoking poster presentations, free communications and parallel invited symposiums. The second day showcased a

variety of rich content, with Prof Joan Duda, Professor of Sport and Exercise Psychology, University of Birmingham delivering the closing keynote with 'Optimising engagement in youth sport: Implementing interventions, increasing impact, and the challenges of doing both!' 62% of attendees rated the conference programme content as 'Excellent' or 'Very Good'. 67% of attendees rated the event as 'Excellent' or 'Very Good'.

Z Knowles reminded members that we are partway through a great 2023 Annual Conference at the CBS Arena, Coventry and all were looking forward to an engaging and informative closing day tomorrow. She stated that we would be returning to this venue for the 2024 Annual Conference (Wednesday 20 to Thursday 21 November 2024) and that she would look forward to seeing members there.

Z Knowles stated that over 200 students, academics and exhibitors had attended the <u>BASES Student Conference 2023</u> hosted by Anglia Ruskin University in Cambridge on 24-25 April 2023. The conference theme was "Reflections from the Past Driving the Future in Sport & Exercise Science". The theme emerged as 2023 marked an historic milestone within exercise science as it represented the centenary of the publication of the seminal work by A.V. Hill on maximal oxygen uptake (VO₂max), work that was completed in Cambridge. The conference provided an opportunity for delegates to engage with peers from across the UK through keynote, oral, poster and symposia-based presentations, as well as during social events. She noted that the <u>BASES Student Conference 2024</u> will be hosted by Manchester Metropolitan University, on 3-4 April 2024.

Z Knowles explained that the Conference Planning Group is considering piloting an 'overlapping' conference in 2025, a single BASES Conference with a student focus on days one and two and an open conference on days two and three. Views of our members will be sought through some additional questions within the post-2023 conference survey, which Z Knowles encouraged all conference delegates to complete.

Regarding Events and Activities, Z Knowles advised that the 19th Heads of Department (HoD) Forum took place on 15 March 2023 at the TechnoCentre, Coventry University. The theme of the event was The Sport and Exercise Science Big Picture: what will be new and what is coming next? and provided an excellent day of information and insights for those with leadership roles within sport and exercise sciences academia. The latest Heads of Department 2023 virtual event took place over Zoom on 8 November 2023, with a theme of 'Student Futures'. The 20th Heads of Department Forum will take place on 15 May 2024 at the University of Bedfordshire, for which the programme and speakers are being finalised by the Heads of Department Advisory Group

Z Knowles was proud to note that four Division Days were delivered virtually with 393 delegates registered and 278 live attendees: The Psychology Day took place 10 May 2023; the Biomechanics and Motor Behaviour Day was the Biomechanics Interest Group (BIG) Conference, on 31 May 2023; the Physical Activity for Health Day took place 28 June 2023 and the theme for the Physiology and Nutrition Day, on 6 July 2023 was 'Research and applied practice for Physiology and Nutrition'. Feedback from all Division Days was positive and satisfaction rates across all four events ranged from 4.0 to 4.9 out of five. She advised that BASES had ran 30 workshops online, all linked with the Supervised Experience and SEPAR programmes, attended by a total of 437 delegates. BASES had hosted 11 webinars, with a combined 578 delegates registering and a total of 306 attending. Z Knowles explained that the BASES CPD Endorsement Scheme, introduced in 2017, continues to gain momentum, enabling BASES to offer a wider range of CPD opportunities to members. A total of 33 courses and workshops have been endorsed since the inception of the scheme, including five endorsements this year. She noted that BASES had supported the Women in Sport and Exercise Academic Network (WiSEAN) Conference in June, the Active Pregnancy Foundation Awards in June and the Paediatric Work Physiology 2023 in September.

Z Knowles confirmed that three BASES Fellowships were recently approved and those attending this evening's Gala Dinner would formally receive their Fellows' pin. She formally acknowledged the recent Fellows within the AGM: Prof Lynne Boddy FBASES, Dr Andrew Mitchell FBASES and Dr Andrew Scott FBASES.

Z Knowles then explained that a number of Grants and Awards had been made this year, and that four Expert Statements were published. She stated that as part of our 30th anniversary celebrations,

BASES had established a new Volunteer of the Year award, which was promoted during <u>Volunteering Week in June</u>. The 2023 recipients are: BASES Volunteer (Committee Member) 2023: Winner - Dr Andy Smith FBASES, Runner-up – Dr John Fernandes. BASES Volunteer (Member) 2023: Winner - Dr Sarah Gilchrist FBASES, Runner-up – Richard Lewis BASES Volunteer of the Year 2023 - Dr Andy Smith FBASES. All Volunteer Awards would be made at the Gala Dinner this evening.

Z Knowles stated that another new Grant had been offered by the Board this year - the Early- to Mid-Career Researcher Project Grant, valued at £5,000. 10 strong applications were received, and the Panel awarded the Grant to Dr Paul Morgan from Manchester Metropolitan University. She confirmed that the Annual Report includes details of all the recipients, and she extended her congratulations to all

Regarding Publications, Z Knowles advised that four editions of <u>The Sport and Exercise Scientist</u> were produced, with a mix of articles covering all the disciplines from a variety of authors. She explained that this year, the Board had made the decision to change TSES to an Epublication, with the first EPub version taking place in Spring 2024. She stated that four new <u>Expert Statements</u> had been published, and that the annual report includes details of all the authors. She explained that we have recently published a Position Stand on <u>Al and Teaching and Assessment</u>, and she personally thanked the author team for their hard work over the months to get the Stand developed and finalised. She noted that we continue to promote the <u>BASES Career Guide</u> (9,333 downloads, so far, of the current version, to date), and that the next version is due to be launched in August 2024.

Z Knowles explained that the Taylor & Francis Group publishes the <u>Journal of Sports Sciences</u> (JSS) in affiliation with BASES. The JSS published 158 articles and received 1.6 million downloads/views in 2022. She also confirmed that BASES had endorsed a number of texts including Clinical Exercise Physiology, Fifth Edition; Reflective Practice in the Sport and Exercise Sciences; and The Applied Sport and Exercise Practitioner.

Z Knowles stated that the year had seen significant work and technical developments progressed by the <u>five Divisions</u> and the 11 <u>Special Interest Groups</u>. She explained that one new SIG was approved by the Board this year: Skill Acquisition, with Dr Malcolm Fairweather as Convenor. Within BASES Accreditation, discussions are taking place as to whether Skill Acquisition should have their own discipline option. She reminded members that the Annual Report includes a summary of all of the details and achievements, for which thanks and gratitude were extended for the hard work of the Division Committees and SIG Steering Groups.

Z Knowles advised that a number of key developments have taken place this year, all of which are included in more detail within the Annual Report. A few to mention within the AGM include:

- From 2024, the Board is a proposing a new BASES Medal 2024 which is reserved for those individuals making sustained and highly significant contributions to the sport and exercise sciences in the UK and beyond and thank you to Prof Andy Jones FBASES for looking after this project. It is also proposing a new Lifetime Achievement Award to recognise sustained contributions over the whole of a career, rather than or in addition to single contributions and thanked Prof David Broom FBASES for looking after this project.
- The Public and External Affairs Advisory Panel (PEA-AP) has worked with the Board to ensure that the voice of the Association is heard and the interests and insights of its membership advanced. To inform national policy, decision makers and politicians, detailed evidence-based submissions were made by the PEA-AP around Major Health Conditions, Women's Sport, 'My Science' initiative, Cultural value of sport to the North's cities, towns and communities, and Grassroots participation in sport and physical activity. Last month, BASES submitted responses to the REF2028 regarding issues for further consultation following the initial decisions.
- The Outreach Project Team successfully recruited 10 institutions to act as <u>BASES Outreach Hubs</u>. The hubs will run the inaugural BASES school poster competition project in 2023-24. The OPT has established a Community of Practice to discuss good practice and share case study examples, for which an online event was held in May 2023 and a second one in October 2023. The OPT set up a Teacher Advisory Panel, initially to support the delivery of the school poster competition, but also with a view to improve the awareness of BASES to teachers delivering sport and exercise related courses at Key Stage 4 and 5.

- The EDI Advisory Group's efforts to support members from underrepresented groups came
 live as the <u>Professional Development and Mentoring Programme</u> was launched in July 2023,
 with seven members selected in the first cohort. We continued celebrating our members as
 part of the Diversity Calendar initiative, including <u>Black History Month</u> in October 2022,
 <u>International Day of Persons with Disabilities</u> in December 2022, and Disability Pride Month in
 July 2023.
- BASES <u>successfully applied to the HMRC</u> to join the list of professional organisations and learned societies so eligible members can claim tax relief on their fees or subscriptions.

Z Knowles stated that over this autumn, the Board has started to plan for the 2025 – 2029 Strategy and members will be engaged in the process throughout 2024 so we can bring to the 2024 AGM a high-level status update.

Z Knowles then introduced the small, but hard-working Operations Team: Ian Wilson, Chief Executive Officer, Emma Forsyth, MarComms Manager, Sue Watson, Partnerships Manager, Lisa Phillips, Professional Development Manager, Jane Gillott, Professional Standards Administrator; Jane Bairstow, Senior Admin Officer, and Angus Boyle, Administrative Officer and MarComms Assistant. She stated that the Board acknowledges the hard work and the achievements of the Operations Team, thanking them all for running the Association under lan's strong leadership and direction.

Z Knowles then opened the floor for any member questions, for which there were none.

Z Knowles stated that BASES is a not-for-profit organisation; as such, it operates on the basis that it is not seeking to make a profit over the long-term and reserves should be re-invested to support the activities of the Association. She stated that BASES had reported a surplus of £35,990 for the year ended 31 March 2023, which was driven by an increase in general income, including significant SEPAR registrations, and a reduction in general expenditure over the previous year. She explained that the Board regularly monitors its Risk Register and continues to consider contingencies and mitigating action if income streams are impacted. She stated that the total reserves on 31 March 2023 were £421,886.

Z Knowles then asked the membership to approve the Annual Report and Financial Statements 2022-2023. Those members attending in person raised a hand if they were happy to sign off the Annual Report and Financial Statements 2022-2023. Those members who were attending remotely used the Poll to show they were happy to sign off the Annual Report and Financial Statements 2021-2022. **All agreed, including 100% online.**

Special Resolution paper (Royal Charter petition):

Z Knowles stated that since spring 2021, the Board has engaged with the membership regarding the steps towards a Royal Charter for BASES, providing ongoing updates. In this last year, significant work has focused on developing proposals around membership categories, rules and bylaws which meet the needs of BASES for the future. A number of documents (Member briefing and Q&A document; Draft Charter; Draft Bylaws; BASES Memorandum and Articles – changes tracker document; Consultation document) were duly shared with members during a recent consultation period in September 2023. She explained that the Special Resolution Paper within the AGM pack provided additional information and context plus updated documents.

Z Knowles took each of the recommendations individually. For those attending in person, there was a show of hands if they were in favour. Those attending remotely used the Voting Poll.

- R1 Members to approve changing the name of the Association to The Chartered Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences. **All agreed, including 100 % online.**
- R2 Members to approve the current Charter and Bylaws, and grant permission for the Board to make any changes necessary to meet the requirements of the Privy Council Office. **All agreed, including 100 % online.**
- R3 Members to grant the Board the powers to submit all necessary documents to the Privy Council Office at the appropriate time. **All agreed, including 100 %online.**

The Special Resolution (Royal Charter petition) was therefore passed. Z Knowles stated that she was pleased to announce that the *Special Resolution to submit our Royal Charter Petition* was passed. She advised that our petition to the Privy Council Office will be made over the next month or so, and we will continue to keep members updated on the progress.

Special Resolution paper (Fee Increase):

Z Knowles stated that the Special Resolution paper within the AGM pack about an increase to Membership fees, Professional Accreditation fees (BASES Accreditation, High Performance Sport Accreditation (HPSA), Chartered Scientist (CSci) and Certified Exercise Practitioner (CEP)) and Training Programme fees (Sport and Exercise Psychology Accreditation Route (SEPAR) and Supervised Experience (SE)) outlined the current situation and the rationale for modest increases moving forwards. She took each of the recommendations individually. For those attending in person, there was a show of hands if they were in favour. Those attending remotely used the Voting Poll.

- R1 Members recognise that there have been no increases to membership fees since 2011. **All agreed, including 100% online.**
- R2 Members recognise the recent expansion of services and programmes which have been supported by a small operations team and volunteer members. **All agreed, including 100% online.**
- R3 Members recognise the steps being taken to attract new members and to retain current members. All agreed, including 100% online.
- R4 Members support the new membership fees, to come into effect from 1 January 2024. **All agreed, including 100% online.**
- R5 Members to support the new BASES CEP fees, to come into effect from 1 January 2024. **All agreed, including 100% online.**
- R6 Members support the new Supervised Experience fees, to come into effect from 1 March 2024. **All agreed, including 100% online.**
- R7 Members to support the new Professional Accreditation fees (BASES Accreditation, High Performance Sport Accreditation and Chartered Scientist), to come into effect from 1 June 2024. **All agreed, including 100% online.**
- R8 Members support the new SEPAR fees, to come into effect from 1 July 2024. **All agreed, including 100% online.**

L Cooper suggested an annual increase in line with inflation every year going forward, which the Board will consider.

The Special Resolution (Fee Increase) was passed. Z Knowles stated that she was pleased to announce that the *Special Resolution to adopt* the increase to Membership fees, Professional Accreditation fees and Training Programme fees was passed, advising that we will implement these price changes as per the respective dates.

Z Knowles then confirmed that there had been no items raised by members in advance of the AGM.

As a way for BASES to recognise and acknowledge those members who live and demonstrate the BASES' Values, Commitments and Behaviours within their day-to-day professional roles, associated with their membership of BASES, Z Knowles reminded members that they can nominate 'Values Champions' who inspire other members because of how they undertake their work and engage with others, clearly demonstrating the new BASES Values, Commitments and Behaviours. She asked that if members know of a BASES member that has inspired or empowered you, who enacts the BASES Values, Commitments and Behaviours, and who you feel deserves recognition for *how* they work, then please nominate them as a BASES' Values Champion via the online form.

Z Knowles stated that we are keen to establish and maintain a register of BASES' members being recognised as experts through invitations to key / major events, panels, presentations, expert groups, etc. Members were asked to email any details to enquiries@bases.org.uk.

Given the expertise and knowledge of the Fellows, Z Knowles note that BASES would very much welcome their input and assistance in delivering the Operational Plan. She asked that any Fellow who is interested in contributing to the deliverables within the Operational Plan to contact enquiries@bases.org.uk.

Z Knowles stated that BASES is keen to enhance the promotion of the Association through obtaining corporate sponsorships and commercial opportunities, noting we are keen to attract new commercial opportunities and to sustain the support from existing commercial opportunities, which would ultimately benefit the membership. She reminded members about the new Gold, Silver and Bronze sponsorship packages that are available (here. She asked that if members have any contacts that could help in this area, to email enquiries@bases.org.uk.

Z Knowles noted that there are currently some vacancies available for the following roles:

- Psychology Division Committee: CPD Rep**, Membership Rep, Postgraduate Student Rep* and Undergraduate Student Rep*
- Sport and Performance Division Committee: Undergraduate Student Rep*
- Accreditation Advisory Group: 2 x Supervised Experience Reviewers
- Clinical Exercise Physiology UK Group: 2 x End-user Reps and Allied Health Professional Rep
- Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Group: 2 x Undergraduate Reps
- Expert Statement Advisory Group: Member (biomechanics specialism)
- Sport & Exercise Psychology Accreditation Advisory Group (SEPAR AG): Deputy Chair, Reviewer Rep, Candidate Rep and 2 x End-User Reps
- The Sport and Exercise Science Editorial Group: Nutrition Rep, Social Media Rep, Physiology and Nutrition Rep, Expert Statement Rep, and Learning & Teaching Rep

She asked that members wishing to express an interest in these roles to contact the CEO (iwilson@bases.org.uk) directly. She personally thanked all of the volunteers who give up their time, energy and expertise to serve on the various Standing Committees and Advisory Groups.

Z Knowles then asked members of there were any final questions.

C Mahoney FBASES asked if the name Academy was given consideration instead of Association. I Wilson said this was considered.

A Smith FBASES thanked Z Knowles, the Board, the Operations Team, Divisions and Committees for all their hard work, support, and commitment. He highlighted that members should volunteer for the positions that are available to move the Association forward.

As 2023 marks our 30th anniversary, Z Knowles then asked those present to gather for a team photo to mark today.

Z Knowles concluded the meeting by thanking all for attending the 2023 AGM and for members' wider continued support of BASES. She said she was looking forward to seeing those attending the drinks and Gala Dinner this evening, and to others, to keep safe and stay well.

Prof Zoe Knowles FBASES

Chair 20 November 2023