

Sheffield Federation for School Sports

Reference and Administrative Details for the year: 1 September 2017 – 31 August 2018

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Trustees Annual Report for the year: 1 September 2017 – 31 August 2018

Aims and purposes

The objective of the Federation is to foster the mental, moral and physical development of children by promoting and encouraging sporting activities, and to help charities as the Management Committee shall, from time to time, determine.

The Federation continues to be the main provider of competitive inter-school sporting opportunities for the city's school children, and the organiser of representative school city teams in a number of sports. These opportunities are provided through a number of individual sporting Associations, which are members of the Federation.

Objectives

The Federation is committed to enabling as many school pupils as possible to take part in sporting competition. The Management meetings of the Federation (which take place 3 times a year) maintain an overview of the activities provided by individual sport Associations and supports Associations where needed.

When planning activities for the year. The Federation continues to consider the possibilities of extending the offer of sporting competition to primary schools and to extending opportunities for inclusive sporting competition. Steady progress has been made in this direction.

Activities

Associations

The Associations which have been active in 2017 – 18 have been:

- Athletics (primary and secondary)
- Badminton (primary and secondary)
- Basketball (secondary)
- Cricket (primary and secondary)
- Cross Country (primary and secondary)
- Cycle Speedway (primary and secondary)
- Football (primary, secondary and girls)
- Hockey (primary and secondary)
- Inclusive Sport (primary and secondary)
- Netball (primary and secondary)
- Orienteering (primary and secondary)
- Rounders (secondary)
- Rugby League (secondary)
- Rugby Union (secondary)
- Table Tennis (primary and secondary)
- Trampolining (primary and secondary)

These activities have been carried out for the purposes of the Federation providing the opportunity to enhance the child's development and have had regard for the Charities Commission guidance on public benefit.

Achievements & performance

Presentation Evening

The annual Presentation Evening continues to be an impressive showcase for the federation. In December 2017 the evening was held at Sheffield Town Hall in the presence of the Lord Mayor, other councillors, sponsors and local sporting personalities. A full list of award winners can be found on the Federation's website: www.sfss.co.uk.

Primary Cross Country

This continues to be the largest participation sport the Federation organises. The average attendance at the 6 league fixtures and the Championships was just over 600 and the relays are so popular that they have had to be split , and take place on two dates.

Orienteering

At the National Schools Championships this year, Sheffield schools won almost every age group and there were several individual winners. The link with South Yorkshire Orienteers is clearly working very well, particularly at primary level.

These achievements help enhance the children's development, through building confidence and team building. These are skills that can be applied when taking part in future activities within the Federation for and outside in society as a whole.

Financial review

The federation held cash reserves of £78,000 (2017 - £70,675) for the use of the federation and to be spent according to the governing document.

The Block Entry Fees (BEF) are the Federation's main funding mechanism. The rate for both primary and secondary schools was not raised for 2017 – 18. The income from BEF increased by £4,595 this year. This is due to the fees for 2016-17 being received early in the 2015-16 accounts. All 27 secondary schools in the city were affiliated to the Federation and 75 primary schools – three fewer than for the previous year.

Another important form of income is from Sheffield City Council who continue to support the Federation through an annual grant. This was maintained at £4,000 for 2017 – 18 and we are hopeful that this will continue for the next three years at least.

As the reserves held have increased by £7,325 and the federation continues to receive the support and income mentioned above, the trustees do not have any uncertainties about the federation continuing as a going concern.

Reserves Policy

For the previous four years it has been agreed that the Federation's Cafgold deposit account should not be used to support activities requiring current expenditure until the position regarding continuance of the Council's grant is settled. Without a grant, it would be likely that the Federation's reserves could be significantly reduced over a short period of time.

Gift Aid

The Federation is still registered with HMRC.

Association Budgets

All Association budgets were accepted by officers.

Volunteers

The Federation is entirely run by volunteers. This continues to be a major strength and provides continuity, as we are not subject to the vagaries of government initiatives and profit margins. The officers of the Federation would like to thank all those who have given up their time to help provide sporting activities as part of the Federation programme.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is unincorporated association governed by the rules of the Federation.

Election of Officers

The Vice-Chairman shall be elected bi-annually and shall become Chairman for the following two years.

The General Secretary and General Treasurer shall be elected annually.

Only representatives who have served on the Management Committee for twelve months shall be eligible for nomination to the post of Vice Chairman.

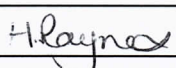
Nomination forms for these Officers shall be sent to all association secretaries of the Federation on or before the 31 October. These papers shall be returned to the General Secretary within seven days). If there is more than one nominee for any position, voting will take place at the Annual General Meeting.

Management meetings

All Associations have up to three officers who can attend MMs – chair, secretary and treasurer. MMs are the decision-making body for the Federation, including approving budgets for the year. In accordance with the rules of the Federation, three MMs were held during the year, with all Associations but one being represented at a minimum of one meeting. They were well attended, with an average of 9 attendees.

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CashCaf/CashGold	68,631	-	-
	Yorkshire Bank	9,148	-	-
	Cash in Hand	221	-	-
	Total cash funds	78,000	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
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			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		HELEN RAYNES	24.6.19