



**EKNGB LTD**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors**

Held on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Time: 20-37 hrs

End: 22-15 hrs

Location – Zoom – 987 526 5880

**Present:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>(Initials)</b>
Katie Simpson	(KS)
Dale Gamble	(DG)
Matthew Handley	(MH)
Paul Simmons	(PS)

**Apologies:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>(Initials)</b>
Mike Dinsdale	(MD)
Tracey McCillen	(MC)

<b>No</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>WELCOME &amp; APOLOGIES</b>	
	Welcome Meeting to attendees by (DG).	
<b>2</b>	<b>DECLARATION OF ANY INTERESTS/CONFLICTS</b>	
	None	
<b>3</b>	<b>MAIN MEETING / ANY MATTERS FOR ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	

**DG – Opens meeting.**

**DG – Administration and Office Communication and Structure moving forwards.**

**Admin Dept**

All emails that come into Admin are dealt with here, i.e. general enquiries and replies by Admin, any unread emails are dealt with Admin only  
Any emails items that need passing to different dept. then are done so  
Any director can ask Admin to send emails out.

**Performance Dept**

Performance dept. can send replies or emails direct.  
Performance dept pass to the office admin to send out information to associations etc when required to do so.

**Office Dept**

Office to be able to help and use office to send correspondence.

**PS, MH, KS all Agreed**

**DG, KS championships.**

English Children's Championships September 2026 – 2 Days

**EKNGB Children's Championships booked at University of Huddersfield.  
September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> 2026**

Other venues not available or too expensive.

**EKNGB Senior Championships January 2027 – 1 Day**

Warwick University booked for 10<sup>th</sup> January 2027

**Midland venue for National kata and kumite training and selection confirmed**

Venue: Braunstone Leisure Centre, Leciester

Kumite centre for National 'A' Squad in midlands and also one of the venues for selection for the National A Squad for midlands.

**EKNGB Presidents Cup for Regional Championships**

Venue: Braunstone Leisure Centre

Date: Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2026

BKF Open Championships end of August. May British 4 Nations has been cancelled by BKF.

**KS, PS, MH, DG all Agreed.**

#### **DG – BKF Update**

Meeting took place in Manchester of all Home Nation Presidents.  
(February 2026)

DG attended for EKNGB. Statement to come from BKF at beginning of March 2026.

Points agreed by all home nations.

#### **DG – EKNGB Membership clarification for Associations**

Full Membership to EKNGB – > + 50 members FULL VOTE - £100 per year  
(£5 a licence and £30 per sporting licence, Coach, Referee, Athlete)

Associate Membership to EKNGB - < - 50 members NO VOTE -£100 per year  
(£5 a licence and £30 per sporting licence, Coach, Referee, Athlete)

**KS, PS, MH, DG all Agreed.**

#### **MH/DG – Safeguarding code for Martial Arts**

Government organisation checklist. MH sent information to safeguarding code for martial arts.

Meeting between EKNGB and SCMA 02/03/2026

#### **MH – Educare – Online Safeguarding course for Sport**

EKNGB members will need to complete the online course in line with safe guarding code for martial art requirements.

More information to follow once Sports80 is up and running.

#### **MH – Safeguarding policies**

All Safeguarding policies in line with Sports England are on EKNGB website for coaches and instructors. Reminder and link to these to be sent to HOA's by EKNGB admin.

**PS, KS,DG Agreed**

**PS/KS – EKNGB Selections for EKNGB National Team for WKF European Senior Championships, Frankfurt, Germany 2026**

Very good day of National training for England 'A' Squad and Selections for Kata, Para and Kumite.

Team to be picked by 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026.

Team to be sent to selected athletes and put on social media and website.

**DG, MH Agreed**

**PS/KS – EKNGB Travel Arrangements for WKF European Senior Championships May 2026**

Number of athletes sent TBC

Coaches – 1 Kata, 1 Para, 2 Kumite

1 Medical

Due to costs – Head Coach will be HOD aswell.

President and Performance Director will pay for themselves to attend for a period during Championships.

KS to arrange travel itinerary with help from office where needed.

**KS, PS, MH, DG all Agreed.**

**DG – Sponsorship**

Update on two third party opportunities for sponsorship of EKNGB in some capacity.

Meeting with one sponsor was on week of 23/02/2026 and another will be on 04/03/2026.

More information to follow.

**MH – Sports80 Update**

Implementation strategy to be done week starting 02/03/2026. Run throughs to start week after.

Good progress made and aiming to then roll out to all associations.

	<p><b>KS, PS, MH, DG all Agreed.</b></p> <p><b><u>DG – Referees Department</u></b></p> <p>PB Update – Courses and timings to be agreed by PB, DG and KS.</p> <p><b><u>DG – Sports England recognition</u></b></p> <p>Projected budget and cash flows for 2027 to be agreed by board and MOB, EKNGB Treasurer. This is needed for Sports England. Including budgets for each department.</p> <p>Work has been done by MOB and presented to board at meeting at Ponds Forge, Sheffield on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2026. This included profit and loss from October 2025 to now. Income streams and projections.</p> <p>Financial situation and planning will be presented to HOA's and HCOA on March 22<sup>nd</sup> 2026.</p> <p><b>KS, PS, MH, DG all Agreed.</b></p>	
<b>4</b>	<b>MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON .....</b>	
	All ok	
<b>5</b>	<b>ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS (NOT INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA)</b>	
	None other than follow up of previous meeting minutes.	
<b>6</b>	<b>AGENDA POINT</b>	
	N/A	
<b>7</b>	<b>AGENDA POINT</b>	
	N/A	
<b>8</b>	<b>CHAIRS UPDATE</b>	
	As above	

<b>9</b>	<b>PRESIDENTS UPDATE</b>	
	As above	
<b>10</b>	<b>OPPORTUNITIES</b>	
	As above	
<b>11</b>	<b>FINANCIAL UPDATE</b>	
	EKNGB Treasurer presented finance document for October 2025 – March 2026 to DG, MH, PS on 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2026 – Ponds Forge, Sheffield.	
<b>12</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	
	NONE  END OF MEETING – 22-15 hrs	