Minutes – Annual General Meeting
10th November 2018, Edinburgh

Present (* indicates current committee member)
Louise Freeman*, Angelika Luehrs* and Malcolm Kinnear* as well as 9 DSN members. AL attended via conference call.

Dr Louise Freeman was elected as chair of the meeting.

MK – Welcome to bonny Scotland!

Apologies
Susan Atcheson, Matthew Christie, Rosemary Lethem, Helen Plowman, Wendy Reid, Mahomed Saleh and Cathy Wield.

AGM 2017 minutes
The draft minutes of the 2017 AGM were circulated prior to the meeting and were accepted as a true record without amendment.

Chair’s Report
Delivered and accepted - [link]. DSN notes the resignation of Mahomed Saleh from the committee and thanks him for his valuable service.

Treasurer’s Report
Delivered and accepted - [link].

Election of Committee and Officers (‘O’ denotes officer posts)

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Jacqueline Haworth, Jenny Holmes, Rebecca Lawrence, Clive Morgan and Caroline Ritchie and Mahomed Saleh were elected as committee members. Caroline Ritchie volunteered to assist with treasurer duties.

**Trustees**
Under Charity Commission regulations all committee members must be trustees.

**Any Other Business**
- **EAPH** – Oslo May 2019 – plan to submit a DSN presentation proposal
- BMA Giving grant applications are now open.
- RCPsych Congress – delegates wanting to know a) how to help docs and b) how DSN was set up
  - Discuss re. enabling e.g. retired psych helping members
  - Need to develop a website page about how DSN was started / maintained
- ‘I felt very alone at medical school and faced a backlash for speaking up – it’s helpful for medical students to have doctor role models.’
- BDDG members do talks for Glasgow med. school
- Found out about DSN via Occ. Health (trainee doc)
- Soc. Occ. Health stand at RCPsych and that psychiatry is having an increasing influence on healthcare occupational health.
- Increasing recognition by universities of need to support students’ mental health
- Possibility of link with [NHS Research Scotland Mental Health Network](http://www.dsn.org.uk) meeting, (chair Stephen Lawrie)
- DSN publicity – talked about need to develop med. students page on website
- DSN face to face groups – currently York, Scotland, NE England (previously Birmingham, North West and London.
- Hard to hear negative stigmatising comments from docs about patients e.g. with overdoses or mental health problems (med. student)

The 2018 AGM was declared closed at 12.10.

The 2019 AGM will take place on Saturday 11th May.

Draft minutes taken by Louise Freeman
Co-chair Doctors’ Support Network
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