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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of ABCD (DIABETES CARE) LTD Wednesday 7th September 2022 at 18:00 – 18:30

The ELEVENTH **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of ABCD (Diabetes Care) Ltd** ("the Company") took place at the NEC, Birmingham at 6:00pm on Wednesday 7th September 2022 at 18:00

20 people attended the meeting of which 17 were members and the meeting was declared quorate.

Dipesh Patel, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The minutes of the AGM held on Thursday 14th October 2021 were reviewed and approved as being an accurate and true reflection of the proceedings.

Dipesh Patel reflected on the achievements of the company in 2021 and reported it was a productive year despite the COVID-19 pandemic. He highlighted the ongoing education and support provided by ABCD for HCPs throughout the pandemic, the launch of the Research Grant Programme with Diabetes Care Trust offering grants of up to £50,000, a growth in member numbers to 650 including an increasing number of SpRs, enlarged social media profile and dissemination of news and information and the biggest ever issue of the British Journal of Diabetes.

Dipesh Patel reported on the company's activities in 2022 including a full programme of face-to-face events, regular monthly webinars, professional endorsement for members applying for National Clinical Impact Awards, a thriving Diabetes Technology Network, fortnightly members e-newsletters and improved internal policies and procedures. He added that two education leads have recently been appointed to pursue educational opportunities to continue to support member's learning and advised that ABCD supports its lifelong members through initiatives such as the *SpR Curriculum Skills Update, Consultant Development Programme, National Diabetes Consultant Membership Programme.*

Dipesh Patel advised that ABCD is represented in most of the relevant stakeholders in diabetes care and outlined the achievements of the British Journal of Diabetes. He extended a special thanks to all ABCD's corporate sponsors without whom it would not be able to deliver the programmes that benefit its members

The accounts of the ABCD (Diabetes Care) Trust Limited, Diabetes Care Trust (ABCD) Limited and BJDVD Limited were laid before the membership. Vijay Jayagopal, treasurer, confirmed that ABCD's income had increased dramatically in 2021 but added that next year's accounts would be different as face -to-face activities increase. He highlighted that this year's annual meeting was oversubscribed which has not been the case for some time. He reported that the Diabetes Care Trust's unrestricted funds are stable with some

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money invested in the stock exchange. He added that the reserves policy has been amended to cover one year's full expenditure.

The retirement of Dr Susannah Rowles from her Honorary Secretary and Trustee position was acknowledged for long standing service and counsel along with Alison Gallagher's retirement from the committee. Dipesh Patel formally thanked both for their contribution to ABCD during their terms of office.

The following resolutions were put to the membership and passed:

- 1. To elect Dr Hermione Price as Honorary Secretary of the association and as a trustee of Diabetes Care Trust (ABCD) Ltd
- 2. To elect Shivani Misra to the committee
- 3. To re-appoint Haines Watts LLP (Leeds) as accountants to the charity until the completion of the next annual general meeting of the Company at which accounts are laid and to authorise the directors to fix their remuneration.

By order of the directors (Company Number: 727037)

Dr Dipesh Patel

Chair of the Association