



YOSA

Young Scientists for Africa

Financial Statements

1 September 2020 to 31 August
2021



The trustees present their report together with the financial statements for the period ended 31 August 2021:

Constitution and Objectives

Young Scientists for Africa (YoSA) is a charitable incorporated organisation registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales for the public benefit to promote the education of young people in Africa in the subject of science by:

- Awarding to such persons scholarships to attend the annual London International Youth Science Forum (LIYSF)
- Supporting the development of student science communities in Africa

YoSA operates under a constitution dated 10th January 2018.

Activities and Achievements

YoSA operates across Africa with an initial focus on sub-Saharan Africa and delivers its objectives by working with facilitators in relevant countries to support the identification of scholarship students.

We report here the tragic passing of our co-founder and trustee Tim Rooke who died in February 2021. We have spent time this year regrouping the charity following the loss of Tim's input including appointing new signatories on the financial accounts.

The 62nd London International Youth Science Forum (LIYSF) took place in July 2021 and ran as a hybrid event with the majority of students joining online. The event was attended by Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal in her new role as Patron. Students engaged with world class scientists from a number of disciplines including Professor Sarah Gilbert who led the Oxford University vaccine development team, former President of the Royal Society Professor Lord Martin Rees and celebrated space scientist Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock MBE.

The pandemic prevented students from the Sub-Saharan region travelling to London to attend the Forum but we were pleased to support the online attendance of scholarship awardee Marina Janji from Kenya. Online registration for Marina was free of charge. As well as engaging with the lectures and online visits, Marina had the opportunity to interact with students from all over the world.

We have continued to consolidate our relationships and engagement with African partners in South Africa, Tanzania, Zimbabwe and Kenya to ensure

that we are well positioned for student selection for scholarship awards for 2022.

Financial Performance

During the period YoSA had receipts of £9,346 (2020 : £562) through a combination of unrestricted donations and gift aid; and made payments related to its charitable objectives of £nil (2020 : £nil). As at 31 August 2021, the only asset was £37,948.49 (2020 : £28,602) of cash at bank.

Trustees

The trustees during the period were:

Tim Rooke (Founding Trustee) deceased 15th February 2021
Clare Elwell (Founding Trustee)
Peter Upton (Independent Trustee)
Clare Thomson (Independent Trustee)

Individuals are selected for appointment as charity trustees having regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for its effective administration. Changes to the trustees are approved by resolution of an appropriately convened meeting of the charity trustees.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees report above.

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

Full Name: Clare Elwell

Position: Founding Trustee

Date: ##th ### 2022



Receipts and Payments Account for the Year to 31 August 2021

	Notes		2021 £	2020 £
Receipts				
Receipts from Donations	5		9,346	562
Total Receipts			9,346	562
Payments	6			
Student Travel			-	-
LIYSF Fees			-	-
Other			-	-
Total Payments			-	-
Cash Surplus			9,346	562

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2021

	Notes		2021 £	2020 £
Assets				
Cash at Bank	7		28,602	28,602
Total Assets			28,602	28,602
Liabilities	8		-	-
Reserves				
Cash surplus brought forward			28,602	28,040
Cash surplus for the year			562	562
Total Reserves			28,602	28,602

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

###/###/2022

Name: Peter Upton

Date:

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. As an unincorporated charity with income of less than £250,000, the trustees have taken advantage of the exemption to prepare accounts on a receipts and payments basis.
2. As an unincorporated charity with income this year of less than £25,000, the trustees are not required to ask for an independent examiners report but have elected to do so
3. As an unincorporated charity there is no requirement for the financial statements to be audited.
4. The accounts have otherwise been prepared based on the Charity Commission guidance for preparing Receipts and Payments accounts.
5. Income is generated from unrestricted donations, typically through online donation platforms. Gift Aid is claimed directly through these online platforms wherever possible and otherwise on a timely basis.
6. Expenditure represents the costs of providing the Clare Elwell Scholarship and relates to the travel costs and fees for attending LIYSF. A limited amount of additional subsistence costs associated with the scholarships are also incurred.
7. Cash at bank as at 31 August 2021 was £37,948 (2020 : 28,562) and represents the only asset of the charity.
8. The charity has no loan arrangements, investments or other assets and liabilities. The charity did not make any grants during the period.
9. The charity maintains reserves as cash for future use in line with its objectives and otherwise has no reserves policy.



Independent Examiners Report

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity
- Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with
- the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed Date

Name

Relevant professional Qualification (if any)

Young Scientists for Africa
Financial Statements 2021
Registered Charity: 1176619

Address

