Name of Organisation: DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION OF SINGAPORE

UEN No: \$91\$\$0096B

## Governance Evaluation Checklist Submission for the period Apr 2018 - Mar 2019

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| BOARD ( | GOVERNANCE   | ·   | •  |  |
| 1       | Induction and orientation are provided to incoming governing board members upon joining the Board.   | 1.1.2<br>Guideline -<br>1.1.2                     | Complied   |  |
| 2       | Are there governing board members holding staff* appointments?   | Guideline -<br>(skip items<br>3 and 4 if<br>"No") | No   |  |
| 5       | The Treasurer of the charity (or any person holding an equivalent position in the charity, e.g. Finance Committee Chairman or a governing board member responsible for overseeing the finances of the charity) can only serve a maximum of 4 consecutive years. If the charity has not appointed any governing board member to oversee its finances, it will be presumed that the Chairman oversees the finances of the charity. | 1.1.7<br>Guideline -<br>1.1.7                     | Complied   |  |
| 6       | All governing board members must submit themselves for re-nomination and reappointment, at least once every 3 years.   | 1.1.8<br>Guideline -<br>1.1.8                     | Complied   |  |
| 7       | The Board conducts self evaluation to assess its performance and effectiveness once during its term or every 3 years, whichever is shorter.  | 1.1.12<br>Guideline -<br>1.1.12                   | Complied   |  |
| 8       | Is there any governing board member who has served for more than 10 consecutive years?   | Guideline -<br>(skip items<br>9 if "No")          | Yes  |  |
| 9       | The charity discloses in its annual report the reasons for retaining the governing board member who has served for more than 10 consecutive years.   | 1.1.13<br>Guideline -<br>1.1.13                   | Complied   | This was disclosed in the annual report page 67.     |

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| 10      | There are documented terms of reference for the Board and each of its committees.  | 1.2.1<br>Guideline -<br>1.2.1 | Complied   |  |
| CONFLIC | CT OF INTEREST   |                               |  |  |
| 11      | There are documented procedures for governing board members and staff to declare actual or potential conflicts of interest to the Board at the earliest opportunity. | 2.1<br>Guideline -<br>2.1     | Complied   |  |
| 12      | Governing board members do not vote or participate in decision making on matters where they have a conflict of interest.   | 2.4<br>Guideline -<br>2.4     | Complied   |  |
| STRATE  | GIC PLANNING   | •                             |  |  |
| 13      | The Board periodically reviews and approves the strategic plan for the charity to ensure that the charity's activities are in line with the charity's objectives.    | 3.2.2<br>Guideline -<br>3.2.2 | Complied   |  |
| 14      | There is a documented plan to develop the capacity and capability of the charity and the Board monitors the progress of the plan.                                    | 3.2.4<br>Guideline -<br>3.2.4 | Complied   |  |
| HUMAN   | RESOURCE AND VOLUNTEER* MANAGEMENT   |                               |  |  |
| 15      | The Board approves documented human resource policies for staff.   | 5.1<br>Guideline -<br>5.1     | Complied   |  |
| 16      | There is a documented Code of Conduct for governing board members, staff and volunteers (where applicable) which is approved by the Board.                           | 5.3<br>Guideline -<br>5.3     | Complied   |  |
| 17      | There are processes for regular supervision, appraisal and professional development of staff   | 5.5<br>Guideline -<br>5.5     | Complied   |  |
| 18      | Are there volunteers serving in the charity?   | Guideline -<br>(skip item     | Yes  |  |

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|         |  | 19 if "No")                              |  |  |
| 19      | There are volunteer management policies in place for volunteers.   | 5.7<br>Guideline -<br>5.7                | Complied   |  |
| FINANCI | AL MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS  | <u>:</u>                                 |  |  |
| 20      | There is a documented policy to seek the Board's approval for any loans, donations, grants or financial assistance provided by the charity which are not part of the charity's core charitable programmes. | 6.1.1<br>Guideline -<br>6.1.1            | Complied   |  |
| 21      | The Board ensures that internal controls for financial matters in key areas are in place with documented procedures.   | 6.1.2<br>Guideline -<br>6.1.2            | Complied   |  |
| 22      | The Board ensures that reviews on the charity's internal controls, processes, key programmes and events are regularly conducted.   | 6.1.3<br>Guideline -<br>6.1.3            | Complied   |  |
| 23      | The Board ensures that there is a process to identify, and regularly monitor and review the charity's key risks.   | 6.1.4<br>Guideline -<br>6.1.4            | Complied   |  |
| 24      | The Board approves an annual budget for the charity's plans and regularly monitors the charity's expenditure.  | 6.2.1<br>Guideline -<br>6.2.1            | Complied   |  |
| 25      | Does the charity invest its reserves (e.g. in fixed deposits)?   | Guideline -<br>(skip item<br>26 if "No") | Yes  |  |
| 26      | The charity has a documented investment policy approved by the Board.  | 6.4.3<br>Guideline -<br>6.4.3            | Complied   |  |
| FUNDRA  | AISING PRACTICES   |  |  |  |
| 27      | Did the charity receive cash donations (solicited or unsolicited) during the financial year?   | Guideline -                              | Yes  |  |

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|         |  | (skip item<br>28 if "No")                              |  |   |
| 28      | All collections received (solicited or unsolicited) are properly accounted for and promptly deposited by the charity.  | 7.2.2<br>Guideline -<br>7.2.2                          | Complied   |   |
| 29      | Did the charity receive donations in kind during the financial year?   | Guideline -<br>(skip item<br>30 if "No")               | Yes  | The Association received donations in-kind, like golf balls and refreshments during the Fundraising events, like the DAS Charity Golf event |
| 30      | All donations in kind received are properly recorded and accounted for by the charity.   | Guideline -<br>7.2.3                                   |  |   |
| DISCLOS | SURE AND TRANSPARENCY  |  |  |   |
| 31      | The charity discloses in its annual report — (a) the number of Board meetings in the financial year; and (b) the attendance of every governing board member at those meetings.   | 8.2<br>Guideline -<br>8.2                              | Complied   |   |
| 32      | Are governing board members remunerated for their services to the Board?   | Guideline -<br>(skip item<br>33 and 34 if<br>"No")     | No   |   |
| 35      | Does the charity employ paid staff?  | Guideline -<br>(skip item<br>36, 37 and<br>38 if "No") | Yes  |   |
| 36      | No staff is involved in setting his own remuneration.  | 2.2<br>Guideline -<br>2.2                              | Complied   |   |
| 37      | The charity discloses in its annual report — (a) the total annual remuneration for each of its 3 highest paid staff who each has received remuneration (including remuneration received from the charity's subsidiaries) exceeding | 8.4<br>Guideline -<br>8.4                              | Complied   | This was disclosed in the annual report page 51.  |

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| 38       | \$100,000 during the financial year; and (b) whether any of the 3 highest paid staff also serves as a governing board member of the charity. The information relating to the remuneration of the staff must be presented in bands of \$100,000. OR The charity discloses that none of its paid staff receives more than \$100,000 each in annual remuneration.  The charity discloses the number of paid staff who satisfies all of the following criteria: (a) the staff is a close member of the family* belonging to the Executive Head* or a governing board member of the charity; (b) the staff has received remuneration exceeding \$50,000 during the financial year. The information relating to the remuneration of the staff must be presented in bands of \$100,000. OR The charity discloses that there is no paid staff, being a close member of the family* belonging to the Executive Head* or a governing board member of the charity, who has received remuneration exceeding \$50,000 during the financial year. | 8.5<br>Guideline -<br>8.5 | Complied   | This was disclosed in the annual report page 51.     |
| PUBLIC I | •   |                           |  |  |
| 39       | The charity has a documented communication policy on the release of information about the charity and its activities across all media platforms.  | 9.2                       | Complied   |  |