

## Newsletter

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### *Annual General Meeting (AGM)*

**Date:** Saturday 24th February, 2018

**Time:** 5.00 pm

**Venue:** The Centre of the G.A.D.

#### AGENDA

- Reading and Approval of the minutes of the last AGM
- Matters arising from the minutes
- Reading and Approval of the Administrative Report
- Reading and Approval of the Financial Report
- Amendments, motions, resolutions and suggestions
- Dissolution of the Committee
- Election of the new Committee
- Close
- Refreshments



Those who would like to make any amendments to the statute or give suggestions, should do so in writing and send it to the the G.A.D. by not later than Thursday 15th February, 2018.

Since a new committee has to be elected we are issuing forms for the nominations of

candidates. These forms can be picked up from the office of the G.A.D. during opening hours and returned by not later than Saturday 17th February, 2018.

### *PSD Sessions – ‘L-Aqwa li Niftehmu’*

Last year, the Commission for the Rights of Persons with Disability, Gozo, invited the G.A.D. to participate in the programme ‘# Nikbru Flimkien’, (#Growing Together). So the G.A.D. organized sessions for Year 6 students in Gozitan state schools entitled, ‘L-Aqwa li Niftehmu’ (Understanding each other is best of all). During these sessions the students were shown different ways of how to communicate with hearing impaired persons and how to support them thus enabling them to participate fully in their social life. The students’ response was very good as this subject aroused great interest amongst them. By the end of April 2018 all Year 6 students in the state schools of Gozo would be covered.



### *‘I can understand hearing loss, so I can help’*



The Commission for the Rights of Persons with Disability Gozo invited the G.A.D. to participate in a seminar held for Secondary School students at Sannat Primary School during the week dedicated to persons with disability. The five sessions delivered by the G.A.D. were entitled, ‘**I can understand hearing loss, so I can help**’. These were held on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> December 2017. During this activity the students were made aware of different levels of hearing loss i.e. mild, moderate or severe. They were also shown how much hearing impaired persons make use of lip reading when communicating with others although it is not that easy. Hence examples were given of what needs to be done when speaking to a hearing impaired person to facilitate lip reading.

### *Membership renewal*

Members are kindly reminded to renew their membership for the year 2018. The annual fee is €12 while life membership is €120. It is very important that members present their updated membership card when requesting a service.

### *Opening Hours – New Schedule*

**Monday:** 4.30 pm - 5.30 pm  
**Wednesday:** 4.30 pm - 5.30 pm  
**Friday:** 4.30 pm - 5.30 pm



For appointments with the audiologist, please phone or send an sms to the G.A.D. during opening hours.