Member Federations turned out in significant numbers to participate in the Saint Lucia Olympic Committee’s first Good Governance Workshop held at the Bay Gardens Inn over the weekend March 28 and 29.

“People left very energised and with renewed optimism in terms of what they need to get done to build a platform for further developing their sport. We covered a lot of options and we had great engagement,” facilitator Michael Pedersen said on completion of the workshop.

Over 90 percent of the invited participants attended the workshop, which was very pleasing to the SLOC.

“They were actually the ones doing a lot of the work, along the way. It’s hard to highlight particular aspects they would want to work on a continuous basis, but if I had to highlight two key take-aways - (one), I heard...
The 2015 Anti-Doping campaign in sport put on by Saint Lucia Olympic Committee in collaboration with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) and the National Anti-Doping Organisation (NADO) targeted three specific groups.

Under the theme “The Athlete’s Entourage - an ally in the fight against doping in sport”, this first session targeted Administrators, Managers and Chaperones, the second focused on Coaches, Assistant Coaches and Trainers, while the final group comprised Doctors, Physiotherapists and Pharmacists. A cross section of Member Federations was represented.

During the sessions, lead presenter and Board member of the Regional Anti-Doping Organisation (RADO) Dr. Kenneth Louisy gave a brief background into the history of the Anti-Doping campaign, spanning from the inception to the Revised Code of 2015.

Other areas covered included subjects such as Athletes Whereabouts and Therapeutic Use Exemptions or (TUE), Doping in Sports, Dangers and Consequences of Doping in Sport, Results Management, sample collection and the provisions of the Revised Code.
During the first four months of this year, the Saint Lucia Olympic Committee has disbursed total funding of two hundred and eight thousand, eight hundred and two dollars and thirty-five cents (ECD208,802.35) to member Federations and athletes on Olympic Solidarity scholarships.

Of that figure ECD18,279.76 went towards scholarship funds for Track & Field athlete Makeba Alcide, Sailor Stephanie Lovell and Swimmer Jordan Augier. The sum total for Member Federations amounted to one hundred and ninety thousand, five hundred and twenty two dollars, and fifty nine cents (ECD190,522.59.)

Among the recipients were Athletics ECD33,791.76; Basketball ECD21,064.08; Netball ECD16,000.; Sailing ECD19,105.11; Swimming ECD12,376.40; Table Tennis ECD19,360.10; Volleyball ECD13,704.90; Special Olympics ECD20,000 and ECD53,400.00 in support of the national Under-17 Football team.

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*a lot of people agreeing and appreciating the need to change and (two), the need to refocus on their athletes,” Pedersen continued.*

He noted that the two significant areas covered during the workshop were matters of “Democracy in Sport” and “Transparency.”

“There was a great appreciation for those attributes. Many of them have a come a long way, but there is still some distance to go,” Pedersen asserted.