

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
THE CPSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Held at CPSA, Bisley

On **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

**PRESENT:**

Dr J Martin	(JM)	East Midlands Regional Director – Chairman
Mr M Machin	(MM)	W. Midlands Regional Director- Vice Chairman
Mr P Saich	(PS)	South East Regional Director
Mr J Leightley	(JL)	North Regional Director (Teams)
Mrs N Heron	(NH)	National Director
Mr D Rollason	(DR)	Independent Director
Mr I Parker	(IP)	Chief Executive
Ms C Alger	(CA)	Operations Manager
Mrs L Vallance		Minutes Secretary

**APOLOGIES:** Mr C Smith- National Director, Mr R Faulds- Southwest Regional Director, Miss L Goodman- National Director

**QUORUM:** A quorum was declared present.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST RE AGENDA:** None

**RATIFY MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

Proposed by NH. Seconded by MM. All were in favour.

**MATTERS ARISING:**

**Isle of Wight-Hampshire, Members Email-** CA reported an email had been sent out and the votes had come in.

18 for joining Hampshire 6 against.

IOW members have been informed of their region joining Hampshire.

**PULL! Article Explaining Levies CA-** Richard Worthington was given the article but CA was unsure which issue of PULL it would feature in. IP confirmed that it was in this month's issue.

**Reward Card CA-** IP said this was an ongoing project and looking into the practicalities and costs.

**Directors Term of Service, Change of Articles-** JM reminded the board this was passed at the last AGM and the Articles have been changed. CA reported that she had also submitted the changes to Companies House.

#### **ACTION LOG:**

**Name Change:** Ongoing.

#### **UPDATE BY CEO**

**Memberships Overview:** Membership had picked up towards the end of this month with memberships at over 22500. IP felt that the issues with licensing was holding back memberships with some police forces have ceased all new grants.

**CPSA Major Championships:** IP reported at the time of writing the numbers for the DTL weekend were considerably down from last year and felt this was the first signs of the cost of living rising. JL said numbers were now up from IP's report. IP reported Sportrap and ESP have been well attended. Super Sporting has been well received and will be looking at introducing EO and BO Super Sporting championships for next year.

IP to put a proposal together for the Directors to view at the next board meeting.

MM was concerned that a lot of grounds would not have enough traps. NH Suggested as the Americans shoot Super Sporting to maybe introduce at next year's WESP in America. DR asked if the Super Sporting at Churchills WESP was a worlds or registered shoot. IP confirmed it would be a registered shoot, as a side event.

IP reported the WESP24 was already sold out due to the ground holding the event being very popular. England Team spaces had been reserved.

MM reported that the World DTL Championships in South Africa were a great success, had a good show and the England Team were well looked after. The only downside to the event was that members of the England Team became ill. MM reported Dave Amos had done a great job.

**Licensing Legislation:** IP reported changes to licensing a real threat after attending a meeting at the proof house with key associations and the home office including the director of licensing who will put changes forward to the government. The changes they are proposing are all about safety after the tragic Plymouth shooting. Another meeting is planned to take place in June.

**Licensing Fees Review:** IP reported an increase in licensing fees is due to be announced by the Autumn. Police are reporting shotgun licensing fees are very low for the amount of work which goes into them compared to fishing licenses. License fees could potentially be tripled.

**Major/Minor Competitions 2023:** IP reported the EO ESP held at Eriswell Lodge was a great success and wanted to thank the HQ team for running a fantastic competition. He also thanked JM and Kenji for their support. PS said the referees at this event were treated well. DR said from a competitors point it was a nice ground, the facilities were good and the team did a good job.

EO Sportrap at Barbury- IP suggested changing the shoot off rules from shooting a full line of 25 followed by sudden death, to 2 shooters at a time shooting 10 targets taken on stands 1 & 5 alternately followed by sudden death shooting stand 3. For three people tied, a filler shooter would be nominated to ensure the squads are fair. i.e. no one is shooting on their own. This will speed up the process at the end of the competitions.

DR suggested using each of the layouts to speed up the shoot off process. IP said that this is heavy on resources particularly the staff to run it. JM asked if the board all understood the issue and the proposal.

NH proposed changing the Sportrap shoot off process as above. Second DR,  
6 in favour, none against. Carried.

HQ to advertise changes on website.

## **OPERATIONS MANAGER: CA**

**Shooting Ages/Categories:** All were happy with Pete's age/category breakdown proposal for the SHOOT program.

CA raised the subject of Gender and the affect it might have on class/categorisation in the future. IP stated nothing needs to be decided immediately but all should be thinking about it as changes are inevitable.

**ESK SELECTION SHOOT JM:** JM asked why the ESK selection shoot was early in the year, as weather is not as good. CA said this was about balancing the calendar. CA to ask Clare about scheduling for next year.

**COUNTY BANK ACCOUNT ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANCE:** MM reported West Midlands had tried to open a county bank account and had been turned down twice.

PS to send MM details of Lloyds Treasures account.

## **CORRESPONDANCE:**

**Chris Potter:** IP suggested a minimum of 50 targets for top twenty rankings. All agreed.  
CA to inform Chris Potter and to explain why Dionne Rogers' name is shown incorrectly.

**Chris Taylor: Competitor shooting at "no Target".** IP- the rules currently provision for this occurrence, the referee should issue a warning if deemed deliberate.

**Anita North ISSF rule change:** CA said she could not find the rules that the ISSF have changed. NH said they are in the booklet but need to read through. JM explained that Anita's point was the CPSA had a policy of automatically following any rule changes the ISSF make. NH said the CPSA have different rules from the ISSF on glasses wearing. NH said the CPSA

have to adopt ISSF technical rules. JM asked if it was all CPSA shoots or just OT, UT? IP said it's only OT and OSK. JM suggested discussing at the next board meeting. IP said the decision to change to ISSF rules would need to be made before the EO OT and EO OSK competitions. NH felt the CPSA should take on all the ISSF rule changes except the release trigger as this would affect shooters with disabilities. JL felt the CPSA should keep any safety rules but inheriting any other rules was fine if it made sense.

The board to review ASAP. CA to inform Anita.

## **AOB**

**PS:** a member had been looking for details of the Kent committee but was unable to find any online. CA/NH to send PS contact details.

**DR:** DR renewed his shotgun license through Medcert and felt the process was long as it took 8 weeks. JM felt this was not long. IP stated that all police accept and promote Medcert.

**IP:** had been invited to a meeting at Barbury with Aimpoint which was attended by various coaches. They were promoting a product which corrected eye dominance issues and asked if the CPSA would allow this product to be used in competitions and on coaching courses. NH felt this could give the lower class shooters confidence in competitions and could keep more shooter. JM advised the product needed to be assessed by various shooters and coaches as to whether it was a sighting aid or an eye dominate aid.

To be reviewed.

**\*\* Meeting Closed 1.09 pm \*\***

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug 2023 at CPSA HQ,**