

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

Held at CPSA, Bisley

On **Wed 02nd Aug 2023**

PRESENT:

Dr J Martin	(JM)	East Midlands Regional Director – Chairman
Mr M Machin	(MM)	W. Midlands Regional Director- Vice Chairman
Mr R Faulds	(RF)	Southwest Regional Director
Mr J Leightley	(JL)	North Regional Director
Mrs N Heron	(NH)	National Director
Mr C Smith	(CS)	National Director
Mr D Rollason	(DR)	Independent Director
Mr I Parker	(IP)	Chief Executive
Ms C Alger	(CA)	Operations Manager

APOLOGIES: Mr P Saich- Southeast 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 RF.

MATTERS ARISING:

Renewal of Swatcom Sponsorship IP – In discussions on the terms but they will be signing up for another 3 years.

Reward Card CA/IP- To be developed in the winter. Ongoing.

EE1 & EE2 Membership Numbers CA/IP- To be advertised over the next few weeks and the sale of the tickets to be launched on 1 Sept. IP explained on the gambling licence they have, a maximum of 2000 tickets can be sold for each number at £10 a ticket. All profits made on the sale of the tickets will go to the Poulton families chosen charity- Dementia UK. A limit of 10 tickets for each draw can be purchased by individuals electronically and the draw will be made when all tickets have been sold. RF asked if the draw was to be made when all the tickets are sold or would there be a deadline? IP said they will wait until all the tickets are sold before the draw is made. RF asked if individuals need to be a member to purchase a ticket? IP said not to buy a ticket but will need to be a member to receive the membership. The membership numbers won can be gifted to someone else if the winner already has the membership number they want.

ESK Selection Scheduling CA- To be looked at.

ACTION LOG:

Name Change: Ongoing.

UPDATE BY CEO

IP reported that it had been an extremely busy period with the major championships but so far, it had been a great year.

Memberships Overview: As of 17 July membership was 22,259. This is down due to the cost of living.

IP and CA left the meeting.

INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR CANDIDATE- Colin Burrows: JM introduced Colin to the board members.

IP and CA returned to the meeting.

Staff: IP has found grounds often require support over weekends so is considering weekend staff “on call” cover for 2024. To be discussed at a later date.

CPSA Major Championships: IP reported all major championships were a great success with positive feedback.

Championship CPSA Head Referee: IP asked the board to consider appointing a CPSA head referee for championships. All agreed this would be good. RF explained an issue that had arisen at the WESP where, to stop boredom, referees were moved onto different stands each day creating targets to be inconsistent. NH said there was another inconsistency issue with refs sitting or standing on stands. RF asked if it could be considered for a referee to stay on the same stand for the major champs for consistency. IP said this could be looked into.

Events 2023: The Game Fair- IP reported the total figure who went through the clay line was 900 which was not much lower than last year. Saturday had been very busy but Friday and Sunday was quieter. DR asked if security had been an issue especially overnight. IP said there was always security issues. IP has some ideas on how to improve the CPSA’s presence at future fairs include joining up with some of their sponsors with an updated hospitality area.

Super Sporting (SS) Championship 2024: IP asked if the board had any issues in introducing a SS Championship next year? NH felt a British and an English SS would really develop it. MM and JL reported their regions were already preparing to run SS events. IP said an option being considered was to reduce EO Sportrap from 150 to 100 targets and combine with EO SS. IP reported the downside- it would limit the grounds that would be able to run these events.

CPSA Clothing/Dress Standards and Rules: IP asked the board to review the CPSA clothing rules and highlight some of the areas that needed clarification.

IP to send the board detailed clarification for approval.

English Sporting in Europe: IP updated the board of the ongoing developments.

OPERATIONS MANAGER: CA

Legal Advice: CA explained Laura Saunbury and Gary Smith's request. IP informed the board that Laura's contract to provide direct cover was coming to an end and IP proposed renewing as the service that had been provided in the last year had proved to be invaluable. All agreed to renew.

Door Code: CA send directors new code soon and asked for the code not to be given to anyone other than staff and directors.

Visitor Permits: CA asked the board to advise anyone coming from abroad, visitor permits would take a minimum of 12 weeks to process.

CLARIFICATION OF MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY MM: MM explained it was sold to grounds that those holding the Premier or Premier Plus status would holding these championships. CA said that this had been changed in 2011. JM said that it was discussed at a recent board meeting that the wording about the Premier and Premier Plus was ambiguous. CA said Richard changed this straight after that meeting. MM has been asked if this was changed where are the minutes of the vote to change the CPSA articles? IP explained the section that was quoted does not apply to Premier and Premier Plus status and does not need a majority vote from the membership. IP also advised the CPSA were only obliged to keep minutes for 7 years.

CLARIFICATION/CHANGE TO FINAL ENGLAND TEAM SELECTION RULES

JM: Are Super Vets eligible to shoot in a Vets category shoot off? JM said the wording in the rules was ambiguous. CA said in rule 8.2 it states a Super vet can be selected as a Veteran.

REVIEW ISSF RULE CHANGES IP: JM asked if the CPSA needed to change their rules to align with the ISSF rule changes. JL said that the CPSA had not changed their rules on wearing glasses and so should not change their rules in this case. IP said if one rule was changed you would need to make the changes to the others but the CPSA do not need to change the rules for their competitions.

CORRESPONDANCE:

Prize Review- Terry Bobbett: The board discussed the correspondence from Terry Bobbett. JM said this would not be changed this season and should be discussed at the next board meeting. To put on the next board meetings agenda.

Inclusive of Disabled Category and Super Vets at EO OTR- Michael Cooper: CA explained to the board Michael Cooper's request. It was discussed and decided that EO OTR is a minor competition and there was no call for a Super Vets or Disabled category. CA to inform Michael Cooper.

AOB

NH: The minor events such as Single Barrel, Double Rise and All Round were not well attended over the year, should these be stopped? JL stated the numbers for the double rise had

gone up in the last 3 years. IP said that attendance numbers depended on the location of the grounds and if the shooters liked the ground.

JL: ABT season has been tough with a lot of complaints. JL would like to hold an ABT sub-committee meeting at the International Inter Counties in East Yorkshire. JM felt that all the sub-committees could do with getting a meeting.

**** Meeting Closed ****

NEXT MEETING DATE:

Wednesday 04th Oct 2023 at CPSA HQ, Bisley.