



SPORTS DISPUTE RESOLUTION PANEL LIMITED (trading as Sport Resolutions)

Company number: 03351039

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Sports Dispute Resolution Panel Limited held by way of a "hybrid" meeting on Wednesday 20 September 2023 at 13:00.

Present:

In-person

Audley Sheppard KC (AS)
Tracy Harrison
Richard Harry (RH)
Nigel Smith
Jacqui Traynor
Martin Gibbs
Alison Mitchell
Nick Hayes
Richard Hendicott (RHe)
Leigh Thompson

Independent Non-Executive Director / Chair
Senior Independent Non-Executive Director
Chief Executive
Independent Non-Executive Director
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Independent Non-Executive Director
Representative Director – Welsh Sports Association
Member Representative – Sport and Recreation Alliance

Online

Adrian Stockman
Sarah Newton
Richard Bryan
Shahab Uddin (SU)

Representative Director – British Paralympic Association
Representative Director – British Elite Athletes Association
Member Representative – Professional Players Federation
Member Representative – British Olympic Association

In attendance:

Ross Macdonald
Duygu Yetkincan
Catherine Pitre

Head of Business Operations / Company Secretary
Marketing and Communications Manager
Head of Case Management

Apologies:

Keith McGarry

Member Representative – Northern Ireland Sports Forum

The Chair welcomed the Member Representatives and Directors to the 2023 Annual General Meeting. Apologies were received from Keith McGarry. The meeting was quorate, with six of the nine member organisations represented.

1. 2022 AGM Minutes

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 28 September 2022 were signed as a true record of the meeting. The minutes will be published on the Sport Resolutions website.

2. Report and Financial Statement

The Financial Statement and Directors' Report of the Company (Full Accounts) for the year ended 31 March 2023 were considered. The accounts were audited by SBM & Co Chartered Accountants. The Members were advised that the accounts had been recommended for approval by the Audit and Risk Committee (ARC), and subsequently approved by the directors. The accounts will be submitted to Companies House and published on the company website.

3. Directors Report of Activities

The Members were referred to the 2022/2023 Annual Report, which had been approved by the directors of the company in June 2023 and subsequently published online. AS advised that the report included an update on the activities of the National Anti-Doping Panel and National Safeguarding Panel.

RH provided the Members with an update on significant performance-related events over the past 12 months.

RH advised that the Board held an away-day in February 2023 which had included some healthy discussion regarding strategic plans.

RH reminded the members that SR was administering the EFL's Club Financial Review Panel (CFRP), the British Gymnastics Independent Complaints Process (ICP), and an independent review into the Welsh Rugby Union (WRU). RH advised that SR had administered the completed WPBSA match fixing case and the Players v PGA golf matter, earlier in 2023.

4. Strategic development

RH provided the Members with an oral update on strategic development and plans for the company.

5. Membership of Sport Resolutions

The Members considered the application from UK Coaching to join SR as a member organisation. The application form and cover letter were included within the papers for information and RH had discussed the application with each Member Representative in advance of the meeting.

The Members unanimously agreed to the appointment of UK Coaching as a member organisation.

6. Representative Non-Executive Directors

The Members were reminded that they may appoint up to four individuals as Representative Non-Executive Directors to sit on the Sport Resolutions Board.

The Members were notified that RHe was required to resign, having served the maximum of two terms of four years permitted by the Articles.

RH advised the members that Richard Parks (RP) had been nominated by the Welsh Sports Association (WSA) to succeed RHe as their member representative. As per pre-meeting discussions, RH proposed that RP be appointed as a Representative Non-Executive Director for 2023/2024. The members unanimously voted in favour of the appointment.

The Members approved the re-appointment of Sarah Newton and Adrian Stockman as Representative Non-Executive Directors for the period to the 2024 AGM.

7. Independent Non-Executive Directors

AS confirmed Sport Resolutions' Independent Non-Executive Directors for 2023/2024:

- Audley Sheppard KC (Chair)
- Tracy Harrison (Senior INED)
- Jacqui Traynor
- Alison Mitchell
- Nigel Smith
- Martin Gibbs
- Nick Hayes

8. Auditors

It was agreed that the appointment of the auditors for 2024 would be delegated to the Audit and Risk Committee, which will assess the proposed fee and service provided.

9. AOB

The Chair gave thanks to RHe for his dedicated and distinguished service to SR and his contribution to the growth of SR during his time as a Representative Non-Executive Director, to which an applause was given.


The Chair gave thanks to all for another successful year at SR and gave his assurances that SR was continuing to provide the services for which it was setup.

The meeting closed at 13:35.

Approval


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Chair

Date: 25/9/24


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Representative Director

Date: 25/09/24

Print Name RICHARD J PARKS