
Board of Directors

Minutes

Thursday, 28 October 2021, 19:00

Via Teams



Board attendees in person: Ruth Beale (RB); Darren Bernstein (DBern); Duncan Birtwistle (DBirt); Scott Collier (SC); Peter Hart (PH); Andy Robinson (AR); David Rosen (DR); Laura Kaye Tomlinson (LKT); Drew Vanbeck (DV);

Board attendees Virtually:

Apologies: Lauren Pagé (LP); Pauline Tryner (PT);

Guests: Peter Brooke; Rayan Sammut

Minute taker: Peter Hart

1. Meeting Administration

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Chief Executive informed the meeting that a recording of the meeting would be held on his computer in a personal drive and would be deleted when the minutes were approved.

All attendees agreed for the meeting to be recorded.

1.1. Apologies:

Apologies were received from Lauren Pagé and Pauline Tryner.

1.2. Declarations of interest

No additional declarations were made.

1.3. Any other business

The following item was raised:

- Update on the appointment of the MapRun Project Officer

1.4. Update on Chief Executive's Health

The Chief Executive updated the Board on a forthcoming period of sick leave.

It was agreed that Peter Brooke would undertake the duties as Acting Chief Executive during the period of the Chief Executive's absence.

2. Sport England Phase 2 Submission

2.1 Submission

The Chief Executive gave an overview of the timelines for the submission of the Sport England funding bid and informed the Board that Sport England was due to inform governing bodies of the outcome in late December 2021.

He went on to inform the Board that the team were continuing to develop the submission and that the version the Board had reviewed was not the latest version. However, the version the Board had reviewed gave a clear overview of the direction of travel and areas of work.

It was agreed by the Board that the submission to Sport England supported the key outcomes of British Orienteering's Strategic Plan "Thriving Clubs for a New Generation". In particular, it was

recognised by the Board that the sport had to diversify participation and improve inclusiveness if they were going to increase the membership base. The Board therefore supported the funding application to Sport England.

Members of the Board offered their support to help develop and finalise the document before submission.

The Board thanked the staff for the work that had done in developing the proposal.

2.2 Process for Board Approval

Following a discussion, it was agreed that a subgroup of the Chair, Vice-Chair, Duncan Birtwistle and Peter Brooke would sign off the final submission.

It was agreed that once submitted that the document should be circulated to the Board.

3. Safeguarding

3.1 Child Protection in Sport Unit (CPSU) Annual Review

Peter Brooke gave a verbal update on the Annual Review by CPSU.

CPSU assessed British Orienteering as having “met” the standards. They congratulated the Federation on the progress that they had made since the last full review.

4. Any other business

4.1 Appointment of MapRun Project Officer

Rayan Sammut updated the Board on the appointment of Kay Hawke as the Project Officer for the MapRun project with a start date of 1 November 2021.

8. Future meeting

The next planned Board meeting was Thursday 9 December in London.

Meeting Closed at 19:50