

Stanmore Jafferys CIO
Annual General Meeting
Saturday 18th March 2023

Venue: KSIMC of London (Hujjat Stanmore), Wood Lane, HA7 4LQ and virtually via Zoom

Attendees: Sabiha Chagpar (Chair), Shaneabbas Merali, Ali Momin, Wasimhusein Fazel, Samina Govani, Shaheen Meghji, Fatema Zahra Hassan, Shehzadali Virjee, Mustafa Daya, Sibtain Allibhai, Safia Tharoo, Zahid Khimji

Ordinary club members

The meeting was constituted at 4.43pm as quorum was achieved as per clause 11.5.2 of the SJ CIO constitution

Meeting commenced with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an by Wasimhusein Fazel

AGENDA

- Review of minutes of 2022 AGM
- Presentation of 2022 Accounts
- Presentation of 2023 Budget
- Trustees Report

Review of minutes of 2022 AGM

Chair provided summary of the minutes of the 2022 AGM which was provided to members in the AGM pack

*Proposed resolution: That the minutes of the 2022 annual general meeting be accepted. Moved: Abbas Merali
Seconded: Mumtazali Kassam*

Presentation of 2022 Accounts

Chair noted that the trustees acknowledge that the initial pack uploaded 14 clear days in advance of the meeting as per the constitution clause 11.3.3.5 was a draft unexamined pack and set of accounts. The accounts were subsequently independently examined and were uploaded to the notice of AGM post on both sjhub and sjladies in the week leading up to the AGM for members to examine.

Mustafa Daya (Gents Treasurer) and Fatema Zahra Hassan (Ladies Treasurer) gave a presentation detailing a financial review of the club and its accounts for 2022:

This is the first set of accounts prepared as a CIO following charity status granted on 21 Dec 2021.

PAYG model now being used across gents and ladies.

2022 Financials: Income comprised of annual subscriptions, weekly PAYG for each sport and income from sponsors. Income for 2022 was £324k. Expenditure was £313k leaving a surplus of £11k. Expenditure made up of £165k in weekly venue and coaching costs. £87k received in donations for AAWA and duly passed on to the World Federation.

Financial challenges: Noted that financial challenges were rising venue and coaching costs alongside expanding sports portfolio. Synergies being developed between gents and ladies to reduce costs e.g. single insurance policy, leveraging accounting software, avoiding duplicate website and marketing costs.

Proposed resolution: That the financial statements tabled at the annual general meeting be accepted.

Moved: Mumtazali Kassam

Seconded: Raza Jessa

Presentation of 2023 Budget

Presented by Sabiha Chagpar and Shaneabbas Merali

Challenges faced when putting budget together: cost of living crisis, rising venue hire costs, membership fatigue post pandemic, competition from other bodies

Budget process: new process as first budget as a CIO. Engaged with sports heads who give costs for the year built bottom up, HQ add central costs and challenged coordinators to streamline sport costs. Budget presented to the trustees in Dec 2022 for sign off.

2022 membership breakdown presented: 1193 member (751 male and 442 female). 50% of membership derived from youth and seniors.

2023 Budget: projected surplus of £11k. Deficits in gents and ladies sports totalling £16k as avoiding passing on higher venue costs to members. Deficits covered by sponsorships, donations and membership. Most deficit derived from youth sports which we subsidise the most.

Question from Abbas Merali: What is HQ Income and Expenditure?

Response: HQ Income is membership fee which has been kept flat for 2023. Expenditure is CRM costs, website costs, marketing, audit fees, insurance.

Question from Zahid Ebrahim (online): Cost of youth sports is very high, can Hujjat underwrite some of these costs?

Response: SJ currently not taking funds from Hujjat as we have a surplus and the club also needs to be self-sustaining and sufficient in the long term. Therefore no need to request funds from Hujjat at present however, support is always there from Hujjat both in financial and non-financial capacities. SJ offers a fair price to members for its sports that is cheaper than external sports providers and provides good value for money.

Sibtain Allibhai – SJ Trustee & KSIMC President: Hujjat is fully supportive of SJ and recognise the service SJ provides. Hujjat will provide support in both financial and non-financial capacities as always to SJ.

Question from Zahra (online): Can we subsidise sports where they are taking place in the same venue on the same night e.g. volleyball and throwball or two hours or Queens?

Response: Large deficit in ladies sports therefore we are offering best possible offers e.g. £7 for 2 hours of badminton. Rising venue costs means more difficult to subsidise.

Question from Abbas Merali: Is there a mechanism at SJ to help those who cannot afford sports if they have multiple children?

Response: Yes, members can approach SJ HQ confidentially if they require further subsidies.

Proposed resolution: That the 2023 budget tabled at the annual general meeting be accepted.

Moved: Zahid Khimji

Seconded: Mumtazali Kassam, Abbas Merali

Trustees Report

Presented by Sabiha Chagpar, Samina Govani and Shaneabbas Merali

First year operating as CIO. Synergies between gents and ladies established e.g. funding requested as one. Streamlining costs to remove duplication.

Objectives of the club are to promote community participation in sports, promote religious harmony through sports, deliver on fund raising drives alongside charity partners WF Aid.

2023 club highlights: first full year of sports post pandemic (80 hours per week of activities delivered). Use of CRM for membership and sign up.

Raised £100k for AAWA for water desalination plant in Nzavoni and water treatment systems in Punjab. 270 members participated in sports for AAWA. Relunched SJ Awards for members.

Gents sports highlights: Flagship events for 2022 were Al-Wilayah, Cricket Bonanza, Community Cup, Father and Son Badminton Tournament, MAMT, introduction of basketball to portfolio.

Ladies sports highlights: 10 sports now available to participate in as throwball introduced, two successful weekends for Marhaba (first time festival held since 2019) in football, netball and rackets, golf day, senior sports day, mother and daughter netball and badminton and internal netball and football tournaments.

Ladies sports challenges: volunteer fatigue and increase in external clubs impacting our sessions. Therefore some sports will be wound up due to low utilisation.

Sabiha Chagpar (Head of Ladies Sports) to step down in summer 2023 therefore new Head required and key months ahead transitioning to a new Head and new team.

Encouragement for individuals to step forward to take on management committee roles.

Note of thanks to Sibtain Allibhai, Nasima Karim and the Hujjat EC for support as always. Thanks to CoEJ and to World Federation and WF Aid, to volunteers and management committees and to members.

2023 dates: SJRS 7-8 May, Cricket Bonanza 11 June, Salaam Cup 24 June, Marhaba 15-16 July, Community Cup 15 July, AAWA August/Sept

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Note of thanks and recognition to Sabiha Chagpar for contribution and services to Stanmore Jafferys.

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Sabiha Chagpar closed the meeting at 18:25