



# International **Quidditch** Association

## **Regular Meeting of the IQA Board of Trustees**

**Sunday, October 1, 2023**

**18:05 UTC - 20:35 UTC**

Minutes taken and edited by Marc Alcalà-i-Rams, and Jeremy Schleicher  
Minutes approved by Andy Marmer, Negra Flores, Marc Alcalà-i-Rams, and Ariel Heiblum

## **Attendance**

### Executives

- Jeremy Schleicher (Director of Operations)
- Jamie Turbet (Membership Director) [joined at 18:20 UTC]

### Trustees present

- Andy Marmer (Chair, Vice-Treasurer)
- Negra Flores (Vice-Chair)
- Marc Alcalà-i-Rams (Vice-Secretary)
- Ariel Heiblum (Treasurer)

### Trustees absent

- Luke Derrick (Secretary)
- Italia Valera

# Agenda

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Trustees absent	1
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## Confirm Agenda

Agenda confirmed.

## Review conflicts of interest

None.

## Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Minutes for the previous meeting approved by Andy Marmer, Negra Flores, Marc Alcalà-i-Rams, and Ariel Heiblum.

## Board, Committee and Department updates

### Update on the AGM minutes

1. The Trustees will follow up with Aaron Carroll and Lore Badts, who are formatting the minutes.

### Feedback on the IQA Gender Representation Survey

1. Jeremy explains that the statistical analysis itself from the survey by the IQA “3-Max” Survey Committee is completed.
  - a. As it has been recently publicly stated, **a full report of the survey results will be released at the end of October**
2. The Trustees and Directors discuss forward steps, such as looking at defining exemptions. For example, initial survey data suggests a 2 year exemption at international events for smaller and/or developing NGBs, based on specific questions from the survey, though this requires further analysis.
  - a. As it has been recently publicly stated, **further details on exemptions will be released at the end of October.**

### Update on Quadball Uganda

1. The wire of \$556.24 (2000000 UGX) has been sent to Quadball Uganda.
  - a. This fulfills their Development Fund request for hoops and brooms.
2. We are awaiting confirmation from John Ssentamu, Quadball Uganda president.

### Attendance at Quadball Nations Cup

1. Marc Alcalà-i-Rams and Lore Badts will be attending on their own.

### Update on IQA World Cup 2023 finances

1. USQ provided us with a preliminary financial report of the IQA World Cup 2023. Final numbers will be calculated once they present the necessary receipts and documentation per IQA financial policies. Per the joint event contract with USQ, this documentation must be submitted to us by 90 days post-event (October 14), with payment submitted by 120 days post-event (November 14).

## Update on the IQA Membership status system

1. **The IQA Membership Department has been reviewing current Membership status policies and has made several changes to the system, taking effect from January 2024.**
  - a. There are four membership tiers, two of which are constitutional members and two of which are honorary members.
  - b. Full members now have quite a few requirements (most of these already existed in some form either through the constitution or policies that had not been reflected in the document).
  - c. Membership fees have been increased.
  - d. Discount policies have been refined to be clearer and stricter as to who is eligible.
2. The Trustees and Directors discuss the implications of the new criteria for current full members since some NGBs may not be able to meet them all at the moment.
  - a. Negra explains that **the IQA Membership Department will assist members in the process of meeting all the requirements.**
  - b. The Trustees and Directors agree to include in the document a mandatory review of the IQA Membership status system every two years.

“Motion to approve the IQA Membership status system”

**Moved:** Andy Marmer

**Seconded:** Ariel Heiblum

**For:** 4

**Against:** 0

**Abstention:** 0

Motion passes [20:20 UTC]

## Constitutional Update project

1. Operations gets the approval of the Board to form a committee designed to update the Constitution. The goals are:
  - a. To have the Constitution allow for as much Operational/Trustee autonomy as possible, which is standard for an organization of our size.
  - b. To incorporate feedback from a Director/NGB committee via a Slack channel with a 1-2 hour a week commitment.
  - c. To present a final draft for the Trustees to review, prior to AGM, by EOY (End of Year), for any revisions necessary before NGB release a month prior to AGM (therefore, mid-January).

## Update on the IQA Development Fund Application

1. The IQA Membership Department has been reviewing the IQA Development Fund Application to make it more user friendly for members so they can access the application more easily.
  - a. A vote on this document took place via Slack. **It was approved by majority vote with the votes of Andy Marmer, Negra Flores, Marc Alcalà-i-Rams, and Ariel Heiblum.**

## Other business

Next meeting should take place on 2023/10/29, 18:00 UTC.