UKWA AGM - 2014 - Constitution

Introduction

The 2012 AGM flagged up the need for the UKWA to reorganise its management structure to recognise that the UKWA was no longer a single discipline body, but was in fact operating as an umbrella organisation, covering a number of disciplines and as such, needed to operate in a different and more efficient manner.

The Company Secretary outlined a proposal in the 2013 AGM and sought agreement in principle from the Association to proceed down this route and provide revised Articles.

The 2013 AGM agreed to proceed by having a smaller Board of Directors elected annually at the AGM and a Management Committee who would be essentially Heads of Discipline and those elected through the disciplines route rather than at the AGM

No comments were received from the membership following publication of the AGM minutes regarding this proposal.

The originator of this proposal, Jay Williamson has decided not to seek re -election in the post of Company Secretary.

Following discussions and Company structure advice from John Ellis, this proposal has been modified and the proposed structure of the organisation is amended as a result. The memorandum and articles of the Association has been rewritten to reflect this.

Proposal

The proposed concept is of a Board of Directors comprising AGM annually elected	l positions
(6) as follows:	

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Chairman		

Administration

Finance

Communication

Marketing and Publicity

Resources

And nominated Directors to encompass the windsurfing disciplines under the UKWA umbrella, ie:

Head of Racing		
Head of Waves		
Head of Slalom		
Head of Speed		
Head of Freestyle		

These positions will be elected annually through the disciplines concerned and co-opted onto the Board of Directors.

In addition:

The number of those eligible to vote to achieve a quorum for the AGM has also been revised. With the reduced attendance at events, the current 50 eligable voters has been challenging to achieve. The new numbers are 25 for a AGM and 20 for a extraordinary AGM. The use of proxy votes is encouraged.

Attached:

Revised Memorandum and Articles of Association