

## **Feed Back from BMFA Board Meeting 17 & 19 Sep 24**

Anticipated to be a very long meeting with a lot of financial material to consider in advance of the BMFA AGM in November, so was scheduled over two evenings<sup>1</sup>. To be read in conjunction with the Agenda (attached). Anything specifically for our next Area Meeting in **Red**.

1. **Agenda items 1 – 5.** The meeting started promptly on time at 19.00. Nothing to report, previous minutes accepted in short order with the voting strength noted at 12 (increased to 13 when Mark Benns joined at 19.25).
2. **Membership and Financial report (6a & b).** The Hon Treasurer spent a long time drilling down into previous accounts and explaining how they relate to the current year's budget. Over the years the SAGE accounting codes and the way the software has been used has grown into a massively involved, very complicated and inter-woven beast that the Hon Sec and our accountants have been working hard on understanding to be able to streamline and rationalise. The accounts as they stand are in draft version 8 and probably a couple more iterations before the accounts can be presented at the AGM. With the move away from Chacksfield House and the continued infrastructure improvements at Buckminster, this year has to be seen very much as a transition period and the bottom line is that without doubt the BMFA is a viable company (NB the forecast was for a 100k deficit this year).
3. **Strategic and Topical matters (7).** Main discussion concerning validity and use of a "Strategic Risk Register" (attached). Still a work-in-progress but will become a "live" document once criteria are fully established in due course.
4. **Chairman's Report (8).** Briefed on the intention to hold the awards dinner and presentations at Buckminster this year. Detail still under negotiation and will be published shortly, but cost for the dinner will be £40 per head.
5. **CEOs Report (9).** See attached report.
6. **Vice Chairman's Report (10).** Nothing significant to report (NSTR).
7. **Hon Secretary's Report (11).** Some work required to tweak the Articles of Association to reflect how current Board appointments have developed.
8. **Technical Director Report (12).** NSTR.
9. **Sporting Director Report (13).** Mentioned that there may be an offer of an airfield in the Cotswolds that could be suitable to host the Power Nationals. There was general agreement that the offer is worth pursuing to ascertain if anything would be viable. Watch this space.
10. **Members Director Report (14).** NSTR.

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<sup>1</sup> By 22.25 we were on agenda item 18 so carried on to complete the meeting rather than reconvene on Thursday.

11. **Outreach Director Report (15).** See attached report.
12. **To Receive proposals from any other source (16).** There were no other proposals.
13. **Annual Formal Review of Documents (17).** NSTR.
14. **Additional Reports (18).** See AS Controller report attached.
15. **AoB (19).** No AoB submitted in advance of the meeting.
16. **DoNM (20).** Next Board meeting will be required in early October to approve the Budget to go forward to the AGM. Will be held using Zoom provisionally at 19.00 on Monday 7 Oct 2024. January Board meeting will be on Saturday 25 January 2025.
17. The meeting closed at 22.39.

Kind regards

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