

Resolute Mining Ltd 2024 AGM report

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Meeting date	Thursday, 23 May 2024
Type of meeting	Physical
Monitor	Bob Kelliher
Pre AGM-meeting	Not available

Meeting Statistics

Number of holdings represented by ASA	6
Number of shares represented by ASA	167,000
Value of shares represented by ASA	\$0.86m
Total number attending meeting	12 attendees
Market capitalisation	\$1.1 billion
ASA open proxies voted	ASA voted in favour of all the resolutions {except those mentioned below}

Resolute is a long-standing gold miner in Africa, and is currently about halfway through an efficiency drive, with the newish CEO, to reduce costs and increase production. A clue to the confidence of this increased production is the addition of a production target of 1,000,000oz by 2026 (up from 331,000 oz in 2023), as 25% of the LTI award, starting in 2024.

ASA questioned the mix of staff in London and Perth offices. The reply was that operational, back office, and central support are located in London (and no Perth staff took up the offer of relocation to London), and only six Mine Planning/Engineering and support staff remain in the Perth office. This office has been trimmed down now, and located in Exchange Tower, with the departure of all staff from the previous Australia Place offices.

Efficiencies available due to the same time zone between London and Mali, and the availability of numerous scheduled flights between London and Mali raised the possibility of all staff in London and no staff in Perth, as discussed after the meeting.

One shareholder queried the effect on the company's operations due to political instability in Mali. The Chair replied that there had been no effect on operations, that the company had good community relations, employed many Indigenous staff in increasing senior roles, and had good relations with the government. Not mentioned were the government's interests in the company: Syama (20%) and Senegal (10%). This fact is briefly mentioned in the Operations Review of each mine and listed in the Ore Reserves and Mineral Resource statements, but not shown elsewhere.

Not stated in any document, but in answer to our question, the Chair confirmed that Resolute remains captured by the Federal Government's Safeguard Mechanism, requiring emissions to be reduced by 4.9% per annum, due to the company's registered office address here and despite all operations in Africa. The

company's Sustainability Report data still shows emissions increasing, but negotiations to purchase emissions-free hydro power from across the Guinea border, and at a reduced price, are underway. Also, a previously installed solar farm at the process plant site is to be restored and made operational.

ASA queried elements in the remuneration report: the calculation of the achievements to internal targets for the STI is not disclosed, as the 25% threshold figure is not given (just the Target figure), the new addition of Sustainability, which was achieved at 100% in 2023 with no obvious metric, and the less than optimal peer group for the rTSR, as the only performance hurdle for the LTI.

We accordingly voted against the remuneration report, which still had 97% approval. We voted for the election of the three directors, and the grant of performance rights to the CEO. These resolutions had 99% approval, except for the re-election of Director Adrian Reynolds, which had only 76% approval.

We voted against the resolution to approve potential termination benefits, as this removes the limit of no more than 5% of the company's equity. We put that would be better to calculate the termination benefit and then seek shareholder approval, but the Chair replied that they wanted to have the flexibility that this Resolution gives. Again, it passed with 99% approval.

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