

IN THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE VOLTA REGIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

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LIKPE FOOTBALL CLUB VRS LIKPE HEROES FC

PROTEST IN RESPECT OF 2022/ 2023 VOLTA REGIONAL DIVISION TWO LEAGUE MATCH PLAYED AT HEPSS PARK.

PROCEEDINGS

In accordance with Article 56 of the GFA Statutes (2019) and 35(9) of the GFA Regional Football Association (RFAs) Leagues Regulations, this Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter referred to as "The Committee") considered the crossed deposition from Likpe Football Club (hereinafter referred to as "The Petitioner" in one case and in another case hereinafter referred to as "The Respondent"), and Likpe Heroes Fc (hereinafter referred to as "The Respondent" in one case and in another case hereinafter referred to "The Petitioner") with supporting attachments, and match reports from match officials.

SUMMARY OF FACTS

STATEMENT OF CASE OF LIKPE FC

The Petitioner lodged a protest against Likpe Heroes FC (hereinafter referred to "The Respondents") for causing abrupt end during the Volta Regional Division Two League

match Day 3 played on 26th February 2023 at HEPSS Park, contrary to article 33(1)(a), 33(2)(a), 28(2)(a) of the GFA Regional Football Associations (RFAs) League Regulations.

The Petitioners claim that the officials and the supporters of the Respondent invaded the field of play when the centre referee awarded a penalty against the Respondent and that resulted to abrupt end of the said match in this case.

The Petitioners state Articles 29(1)(a) 2(a) 34(1)(e) seek relief that the match be declared null and void 3 points and 3goals be awarded to The Petitioners.

DEFENSE OF LIKPE HEROES FC

The Respondent in responds stated that the Respondent did not send supporters to the match venue.

STATEMENT OF CASE OF LIKPE HEROES FC

The Petitioner lodged a protest against LIKPE FC (hereinafter referred to as "the Respondent") for using unqualified players in the Volta Regional Division Two League match played on the 26^h February 2023 at HEPESS Park. The Petitioner claim that the Respondent fielded Daniel Gbi (4) Wisdom Tretu (1)Courage Opoku (5)Clement Letsey (22) Prosper Asare (13), Emmanuel Hlorwu (25) Asorkor Walker (29) and Akakpo Jacob (7)

The Petitioners state Articles 28(2)(a) 28(2)(c), 33(1)(e), 33(2), 33(5)(b) and 33 (5)(c) and seek relief that the match be declared null and void 3 points and 3goals be awarded to The Petitioners

The Petitioners attached the photographs of the said players and the team sheet of the Respondent Photographs of the player's cards with the FIFA Connect System in this case as evidence in support of their case.

DEFENSE OF LIKPE FC

The Respondent did not file any response to the case.

FINDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE AND GRO UNDS OF DECISION

The Committee at its sittings makes the following findings

1. That protest was lodged in accordance with Article 35(1) (3)of the Regional Football Associations (RFAs)League Regulations

- 2. That the protest was duly served on The Respondent in accordance with Article 33(4) of Regional Football Associations (RFAs) Leagues Regulations
- 3. That the said players Daniel Gbi, Wisdom Tretu, Courage Opoku, Clement Letsey, Prosper Asare, Emmanuel Hlorwu, Asorkor Walker, and Akakpo Jacob were not duly registered by Likpe FC for the 2022/2023 league season and therefore not eligible to play for the respondent in the said match in this case.
- 4. That from The Committee's check the supporters and officials of Likpe Heroes F/C invaded the field of play when a penalty was awarded to Likpe F/C which led to abrupt end of the match.
- 5. That Likpe Heroes FC was leading 1:0 as at the time of the abrupt end.

DECISION

- 1. It is the decision of the Committee that the result of the said match shall be declared null and void in accordance with article 33(8) of the GFA Regional Football Associations Leagues Regulations.
- 2. That both The Likpe FC and Likpe Heroes are hereby fined **GHC 300.00** each in accordance with Article 33(5)(b) of the Regional Football Associations (RFAs) Leagues Regulations.
- 3. The Likpe FC and Likpe Heroes FC shall pay the fine in decision Two (2) above within ten (10) days in accordance with Atticle 37(8) of the GFA (RFAs) Leagues Regulations.
- 4. The Likpe FC and Likpe Heroes FC shall be liable to the consequential effect of Article 37(1)(b) and 37(8)(c) if the clubs fail to pay the fine imposed on the clubs in decision Two (2) above.

Ernest Yao Gaewu (Justice)

Disciplinary Committee Chairman