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Minutes of the WRRC General Meeting March 9, 2025, Velika Gorica, Croatia

Start of the meeting: Sunday, March 9, 2025 at 10:00

Present: (See the list of delegates, [Appendix 2](#))

ITEM 1. Welcome by the President and definition of formalities

President Miriam Kerpan Izak welcomed all delegates, officials, and auditors, officially opening the meeting. She expressed gratitude to the local organizer, **Tomislav Odžić**, and the **Croatian Rock 'n' Roll Federation** for successfully organizing the AGM.

The President confirmed that the **General Meeting had been duly convened and was quorate**. A total of **33 delegates/proxies from 17 countries** were present, with **31 delegates holding voting rights**. Bosnia was unable to vote due to a missing membership fee.

Voting Procedures

- The **maximum number of possible votes** was **31**.
- For a **simple majority**, the number of **YES votes** needed to exceed the number of **NO votes**.
- For a **two-thirds majority**, **21 votes** were required.

The President explained that, in accordance with the **Statute**, electronic voting would be conducted using the **MentiMeter platform**. She proposed **Jiri Hais and Bartłomiej Kobylanski** as scrutineers for the e-voting process.

Additionally, she clarified that **delegates holding proxies** must use an **additional device** to cast a second vote.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you approve to use the voting with MentiMeter and appoint Jiri Hais and Bartłomiej Kobylanski as controlling scrutineers?**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
29	0	0	29

(1) Jiri Hais and Bartłomiej Kobylanski were unanimously appointed as the scrutineers for the e-voting over MentiMeter

The **President** informed the meeting that **guests were present** and requested approval from the delegates to allow their presence in the hall. She clarified that while guests have the **right to listen**, they **do not have the right to vote or participate in discussions**, unless they are **directly addressed by the Chair**.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you agree to allow guests, appointed by national federations, to be present in the room during GM?**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
31	0	0	31

(2) Guests can be present during the GM by unanimous vote..

The President informed the meeting about the operating policy regarding the presentation of the motions and discussions connected to them:

- Speakers presenting the topic (Delegates, Presidium members), excluding the presentations of the Auditors and Final Budget: 3 minutes
- Discussion: 1 minute, only one time on one topic
- Voting: 30 seconds
- All speakers should come to the podium to present their topics

ITEM 2. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2024 (Ljubljana, Slovenia) and EGM 2024 held online on August 7, 2024.

Minutes of the AGM 2024 and EGM 2024 were distributed to all Members over regular channels in due time.

There was no discussion about the minutes.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you approve the minutes from the AGM 2024 and EGM 2024?**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
30	0	2	30

(3) Minutes from the AGM2024 an EGM 2024 were approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 3. Approval of the Agenda of the General Meeting

The Agenda for the General Meeting was included in the document for the delegates. Any changes need to be confirmed by 2/3 majority. There were no requests to change the Agenda.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you approve the Agenda of the General Meeting 2024**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
30	0	0	30

(4) The Agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 4. Presentation of the reports of the Presidium and the Commissioners, presentation of the end-of-year balance sheet

All Reports were distributed in writing to all WRRRC Members and announced delegates. President asked all Presidium members and Commissioners if they wanted to add something to their reports, some of them had some smaller additions to their reports.

- Report of the President

The **President** provided additional insights in her report, emphasizing the **challenging circumstances** in which the federation operates. She stressed the importance of **cooperation, shared goals, and mutual support** to help the federation grow.

She encouraged **national federations** to contribute by organizing **international events**, as expanding opportunities for dancers is a key priority. Noting the **low number of events scheduled for 2025**, she highlighted the **reintroduction of International Open events** by the **Presidium**. While these events still require **refinement**, they serve as a **short-term solution** to provide more competition opportunities for couples.

Additionally, she emphasized:

- The **new associated membership contract with WDSF**
- The **importance of returning to the World Games**

- Report of the Vice President for Sport

D. Lilih emphasized the **importance of supporting the planned changes** to the **New Judging System (NJS)**. He encouraged **active participation** from members in discussions once the document is published.

Additionally, he highlighted that **various workshops** will be organized **before the implementation** of the new system to ensure a smooth transition.

- Report of the Vice President for Marketing and Expansion
L. Arvidsson just added the importance of full cooperation in expansion activities and the World Games project.
- Report of the Vice President for Communication
B.Koblyanski asked all present of photos, video material information from national federations to be used on different WRRRC communication channels.
- Report of the Vice President for Education
J. Hais reaffirmed his **commitment** to revitalizing this area by implementing **modern educational tools**, ensuring a more effective and engaging learning process for all involved.

- Report of the Vice President for Legal Affairs
 - Report of the Vice president for Finance, and
 - End-of-year balance sheet and Financial Report
- Finance Director, Marina Eskolin, presented and explained some of the details about the End-of-year balance sheet and Financial Report.

The commissioners didn't have any additions to their reports.

There was no discussion about the reports.

ITEM 5. Auditors' report

The **Auditors, Gritli Ramschag-Wolein and Daniele Fuog**, presented their report to the **General Meeting**. The full report is included in **Appendix 1** of these minutes.

They **congratulated** the **Vice President for Finance** for **transparent financial management**, made some **observations**, and confirmed that **everything was in order**. Based on their findings, they **proposed the release of the Presidium for the year 2024**.

ITEM 6. Approval of all reports

President proposed to vote about the approval of all reports:

Questions for the electronic voting:

- **Do you agree to vote for all reports in one package?**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
29	0	0	29

- **Do you approve all presented reports and Balance sheet for 2024?**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
30	0	0	30

(5) All Reports and Balance sheet for 2024 were approved b unanimous vote.

ITEM 7. Decisions on the discharging of all organs of the WRRRC

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you agree to discharge all organs of the WRRRC for the financial year 2024?**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
30	0	0	23

(6) All organs of the WRRRC were discharged for the financial year 2024 by unanimous vote..

ITEM 8. Presentation and approval of the Budget 2025 (P01)

The Budget was distributed to all WRRRC members and delegates in advance. The VP for Finance, Marina Eskolin, gave some additional explanations regarding the budget. She highlighted the importance of more events and more income in the upcoming years. There was no discussion about the proposed Budget.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you approve the budget for 2025 and the provisional budget for 2026?**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
29	0	0	29

(7) The Budget for 2025 and the provisional Budget for 2026 were approved by unanimous vote.

ITEM 9. PRESIDIUM MOTIONS

Presidium motion P02: General approval of new version of NJS for RR

D. Lilih addressed the meeting, referring to the presentation given during the workshop on Saturday, where the general principles of the planned changes to RR NJS were introduced. He clarified that the vote is not on the specific details but rather on the changes in general.

The finalized version of the changes will be presented to the nations by **June 30, 2025**, with the final approval from the Presidium scheduled for **August 31, 2025**. The changes will be implemented starting **January 1, 2026**.

As part of this process, an RR judging seminar will be organized in **autumn 2025**, along with planned education sessions for trainers.

Several questions and proposals were raised during the meeting:

- Members emphasized the importance of a **timely final decision** and comprehensive **education for all involved parties**.
- A proposal was made to **open WRRRC seminars to national officials**, including **observers, judges, and trainers**.

D. Lilih documented all proposals so that the Sport Commission and Presidium can review and incorporate them into the final documents.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you approve the new NJS system for RR?**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
29	0	0	29

(8) The general concept of the new version of NJS RR was approved by unanimous vote.

Presidium motion P03: Confirmation of the new Associated membership Contract with WDSF

The President presented the most important articles from the contract during the workshop on Saturday. The biggest change from the previous contract is WRRC’s obligation to follow all WDSF rules which are applicable also for WRRC and especially not to make decisions which are in contradiction with WDSF governing rules, IOC rules and IWGA rules.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you approve the new Associated membership Contract (AMC) between WDSF and WRRC?**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
29	1	0	30

(9) The new AMC between WRRC and WDSF was approved by 29 YES votes and 1 NO vote.

ITEM 10. ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS

The President explained that the position became vacant after the resignation by Patrice de la Torre. By the Statutes the Presidium could appoint a new person, but opted to call for election on the GM. She explained that the position is only until the next GM where the regular elections are planned. Of course, the person elected will be applicable for re-election.

The WRRC office received two nominations:

- Leo Beck from Germany
- Gergely Farkas from Hungary

There were no extra candidates proposed by the delegates on the AGM.

Both candidates presented themselves and their plans.

After a short discussion the President explained that the candidate with more votes will be elected.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Please select one person to be elected as VP for legal affairs**

Leo Beck	Gergely Farkas	Total
18	12	30

(10) Leo Beck from Germany was elected as VP for legal affairs.

Leo Beck accepted his new function and the delegates congratulated him.

ITEM 11. ELECTION OF THE ELECTION COMMITTEE

In 2026 regular elections are planned for WRRC Presidium. By WRRC Statute the elections are organized and conducted by the election committee.

The President explained the rules, obligations, requirements and limitation for the members of election committee and called for candidates.

The following candidates were proposed (in alphabetical order of country abbreviations):

- Katrin Kerber (GER)
- Outi Paavola (FIN)
- Sysse Myren (NOR)
- Oleksander Geiffman (POL)
- Michal Babics (SVK)

The President instructed the delegates to vote for 3(three) candidates. After the confirmation the second vote will be for the chair of the committee.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Please select 3 persons to be elected as members of election committee**

Katrin Kerber	Outi Paavola	Sysse Myren	Aleksander Geiffmann	Michal Babics
22	26	19	15	8

(11) Outi Paavola, Katrin Kerber and Sysse Myren were elected as members of the election committee for Presidium elections 2026.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Please select 1 person to be elected as the chair of election committee**

Katrin Kerber	Outi Paavola	Sysse Myren
10	16	2

(12) Outi Paavola was elected as chair of the committee for Presidium elections 2026.

ITEM 12. MEMBERS MOTIONS

All motions were sent to the members and delegates in due time and were included in the document for the delegates. Therefore, they will not be repeated here in details.

M01 and M02 Ukraine, 2 motions

Motions were presented in detail by Mykhailo Petrenko and Viktor Bublikov:

- **Motion 01:** To extend the ban of athletes, coaches and referees competing on events organized by FDSARR in international competitions under the auspices of the WRRC until the end of hostilities (war) in Ukraine.

In the name of the WRRC Presidium, the President explained that the motion had to be seen in the context of the contract with WDSF which means that it can't be applicable for the athletes who want to apply for AIN status and compete on WRRC events under the neutral flag.

In discussion it was also clarified that the ban could only be applicable if a person took part on disputed events organized from the period of the previous WRRRC meeting.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you approve the motion from Ukraine M01 with the following limitations**
 - **The motion doesn't include athletes who can apply for AIN status by valid IOC and WDSF rules**
 - **The motion applies only for the events organized from last AGM in March 2024**
 - **For persons applying to dance for another country, it is upon the Presidium to decide if such change is possible.**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
16	5	8	29

(13) The motion from Ukraine was approved as written above with 16 Yes votes, 5 NO votes and 8 abstentions.

- **Motion M02:** To introduce a short presentation video in the final of formations for a better description of a story behind the choreography.

After a short discussion, the vote was called.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you approve the motion from Ukraine M02 to introduce a short 15 sec video presentation for the formations in the final round**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
11	16	3	30

(14) The motion from Ukraine was not approved!

M03 and M04 Germany, 2 motions

The motions were presented by Katrin Kerber.

A motion M03 was presented to introduce a rule for the **limitation of the loudness of music at WRRRC events.**

All present delegates and officials agreed that this had been a **recurring problem** at many events, particularly in the areas where **judges are seated**. A **lengthy discussion** followed, highlighting the difficulties in **controlling the music volume** and the lack of clarity on the consequences if the **organizer does not comply with the rules.**

The **President** proposed adding this issue as an **extra requirement** for event organizers and suggested it be monitored at **upcoming events**. She emphasized that a rule without **enforceable consequences** would be ineffective.

There was **no vote** on this motion.

M04 To allow same sex couples to compete in Boogie Woogie rising star category.

K. Kerber presented the motivation and reasons for this motion. She was confident it could bring additional dancers in this category.

Several delegates from different countries supported the idea.

The biggest challenge is the lack of events for this category.

After discussion, the vote was called.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you approve the motion from Germany M04 to introduce same sex couples in BW raising star category**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
14	12	3	30

(15) The motion from Germany M04 was approved with 14 YES votes, 12 NO votes and 3 abstentions.

M05 to M07 Slovakia, 3 motions

The motions were presented by Rasto Banas.

M05 To add extra points for special entrances to acrobatic figures

R. Banas explained the importance to add points for special entrances (like staff and bettarini). In the motion fixed points were proposed.

D. Lilih explained that this should be considered for the new NJS and introducing new fixed points at this stage would be obsolete. He promised that the Sport commission will consider implementing this proposal into new rules.

Slovakia agreed and the motion was withdrawn.

M06 To implement certification of the coaches and execute other educational activities.

After the presentation of the motion the delegate from Switzerland expressed a concern about this motion because it wasn't clear what really the motion was – what was proposed?

In the general discussed it turned out that Slovakia wanted more activity from educational commission.

Since a new VP from Education had only been elected in August 2024, it was clear that no special activities could be organized in such a short period of time. J. Hais explained several activities were planned for 2025.

The motion was withdrawn.

M07 Dividing Boogie Woogie Seniors in 2 sub-categories

The BW commissioner, A. Nygaard explained that this motion has already been presented to the BW commission and also to the Presidium, but the fact was that the number of registered

couples was not high and such division would only lead to two final rounds with low number of participants.

The motion was withdrawn.

M08 Croatia, one motion

M08 to change the rules for Junior formations about the age group exceptions

T. Odžić presented the motion regarding the age limitations for formations.

D. Lilih provided clarification on the **reasons and challenges** involved in combining couples into a formation.

During the discussion that followed, it became clear that the **age limitations for junior formations** were not consistent with the overall age groups for other categories.

Ukraine proposed extending the motion to allow **exceptions for main class formations** as well.

There was also a suggestion that having **two categories for junior formations** might be beneficial. However, concerns were raised that the **overall number of formations** would not support such a division.

After discussion the vote was called.

Question for the electronic voting:

- **Do you approve the motion from Croatia M08 to change the exception for age group restrictions in Junior formations**

YES	NO	ABSTAINED	Total
7	18	5	30

(16) The motion from Croatia M08 was not approved!

ITEM 13. Any other item

K. Kerber expressed interest in introducing a **ranking list for formations**.

During the brief discussion, it was not immediately clear how this could be applied to a single formation member, though it was acknowledged that this challenge is common in team categories across other sports as well.

Gritli Ramschag-Wollein confirmed that the **General Meeting in 2026** will take place in **Vienna**, as already announced by the President at the conclusion of the **GM 2024 in Ljubljana**.

President Miriam Kerpan Izak extended her **gratitude** to all delegates and member federations for their participation in the General Meeting, as well as to the **organizer** for the **excellent organization** of the event.

The **General Meeting was adjourned at 13:00**.

Miriam Kerpan Izak

WRRRC President



**WORLD ROCK'N'ROLL
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Miriam Kerpan Izak, President

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Gritli Ramschag-Wollein, Dr Daniele Fuog
WRRC Auditors

Auditors' Report on Financial Statements 2024

**To the General Assembly of the World Rock'n'Roll Confederation
("WRRC"), meeting in Velika Gorica on March 9, 2025.**

We, the elected auditors of the WRRC, have audited the Financial Statements of the WRRC consolidated per September 31, 2024, on January 18 2025, in Vienna, and consolidated to December 31, 2024, on March 8, 2025, in Velika Gorica. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole based on our audit work performed in accordance with the audit regulations in force in Austria, (§5 Abs. 5 Vereins-Gesetz 2002) which requires examination, by means of selective tests, of the evidence that is provided to support the financial statements and the evaluation of whether the presentation, the accounting principles and policies applied as well as the estimates made comply with the applicable regulatory financial reporting framework. As a matter of fact, we verified the entire submitted evidence.

After a verification with the Finance Director, we the auditors, have concluded that the accounts have been kept in accordance with the rules and represent the true financial situation of the WRRC as of December 31. 2024. We have checked that the accounting information in the report is consistent with that contained in the financial statements for 2024.

Nevertheless, we do have a few remarks:

We suggest that the homepage is updated regarding the member countries. If the list is very long, we expect more income from membership fees.

Further, we believe that the membership fee collected by the WDSF is of a disproportionate size compared to the entire budget of the WRRC. This remark is all the more true if you consider that the WRRC was forced to hire a very expensive legal company to address the issues encountered without any support from the WDSF.

We were surprised to find out that some organizers paid their tournament fees long after the events, as we were operating under the assumption that these fees are due before the event takes place.

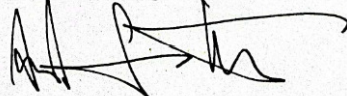
Finally, we want to thank all the members and the officials for their diligent work, almost all claims were in line with the rules and some were even just excellent in their clarity! For us auditors, the more details are indicated on the claims, the easier it is to understand their justification.

We, the auditors, commend the Finance Director for her clear operations.

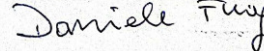
We move to discharge the Finance Director, and the entire Presidium, of all financial operations carried out in 2024.

Velika Gorica, March 09, 2025

m.p. Gritli Ramschag-Wollein



m.p. Dr. Daniele Fuog



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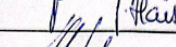

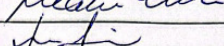
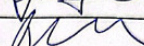

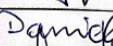

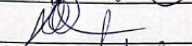
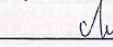
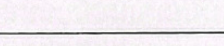
LIST OF DELEGATES, OFFICIALS AND GUESTS

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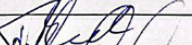
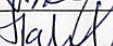
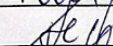
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No.	Country	Delegate	Federation	Status	Signature	Vote
1.	AUT	Peter Turcik	Österreichischer Rock'n'Roll und Boogie Woogie Tanzsportverband	delegate		
2.	AUT	Philomena Raulic	Österreichischer Rock'n'Roll und Boogie Woogie Tanzsportverband	delegate		
3.	BIH	Namik Trutović	Association of Sport Dance Clubs in Bosnia and Herzegovina	delegate		NO
4.	BIH	Elvir Avdagić	Association of Sport Dance Clubs in Bosnia and Herzegovina	delegate		NO
5.	BUL	Nedelcho Nedyalkov	Bulgarian Acrobatic Rock'n'Roll Federation	delegate		
6.	BUL	Todor Petkov	Bulgarian Acrobatic Rock'n'Roll Federation	delegate		
7.	CRO	Tomislav Odžić	Croatian Rock'n'Roll Association	delegate		
8.	CRO	Tomislav Odžić	Croatian Rock'n'Roll Association	delegate proxy		
9.	CZE	Petr Lukavský	Czech National Rock And Roll Federation	delegate		
10.	CZE	Petr Lukavský	Czech National Rock And Roll Federation	delegate proxy		
11.	FIN	Pirjo Koivula	Finnish Dance Sport Federation	delegate		
12.	FIN	Juha Martikainen	Finnish Dance Sport Federation	delegate		
13.	FRA	Charles Ferreira	French Federation of Dance	delegate		
14.	FRA	Jean-François Dekhil	French Federation of Dance	delegate		
15.	GER	Katrin Kerber	Deutscher Rock'n'Roll und Boogie Woogie Verband	delegate		
16.	GER	Tim Eisenreich	Deutscher Rock'n'Roll und Boogie Woogie Verband	delegate		
17.	HUN	Gergely Farkas	Hungarian DanceSport Association	delegate		
18.	HUN	Gergely Farkas	Hungarian DanceSport Association	delegate proxy		
19.	ITA	Andrea Orlandi	Federazione Italiana Danzasportiva E Sport Musicali	delegate		
20.	SLO	Boštjan Marinko	Slovenian Dance Sport Federation	delegate		
21.	SLO	Boštjan Pavček	Slovenian Dance Sport Federation	delegate		
22.	SUI	Sophie Sancosme	Swiss Rock'n'Roll Confederation	delegate		
23.	SUI	Nicolas Grillet	Swiss Rock'n'Roll Confederation	delegate		
24.	SWE	David Borg	Swedish Dance Sport Federation	delegate		
25.	SWE	Thomas Jansson	Swedish Dance Sport Federation	delegate		
26.	NOR	Sissel Myren	Norwegian Dance Federation	delegate		
27.	NOR	Trine Sjong Bekken	Norwegian Dance Federation	delegate		
28.	POL	Oleksandr Geifman	Polish Rock'n'Roll Acrobatic Union	delegate		
29.	POL	Oleksandr Geifman	Polish Rock'n'Roll Acrobatic Union	delegate proxy		
30.	SVK	Rastislav Bañas	Slovak dance sport federation	delegate		
31.	SVK	Michal Bábics	Slovak dance sport federation	delegate		
32.	UKR	Mykhailo Petrenko	Ukrainian Federation of Acrobatic Rock'n'Roll	delegate		
33.	UKR	Viktor Bublikov	Ukrainian Federation of Acrobatic Rock'n'Roll	delegate		

Presidium / Commissioners

No.	WRRC	Function	Signature
1.	Mirjam Kerpan Izak	PRESIDENT	
2.	Barttomiej Kobylański	PRESIDIUM	
3.	Jiri Hais	PRESIDIUM	
4.	Denis Lilih	PRESIDIUM	
5.	Marina Eskolin	PRESIDIUM	
6.	Lena Arvidsson	PRESIDIUM	
7.	Aina Nygard	Boogie Woogie Commissioner	
8.	Fred Pasqualin	Sport Commission member	
9.	Daniele Fuog	AUDITOR	
10.	Gritti Ramschag-Vollein	AUDITOR	
11.	Carlos Vollein	Medical commissioner	
12.	Manfred Mohab	Anti-Doping Commissioner	

Guests

No.	Country	Guest	Function	Signature
1.	CRO	Lana Knapić	Croatian Rock'n'Roll Association	
2.	CRO	Marko Bartolić	Croatian Rock'n'Roll Association	
3.	CRO	Ana-Marija Lilih	Croatian Rock'n'Roll Association	
4.	CRO	Dragana Gomaz	Croatian Rock'n'Roll Association	
5.	CRO	Marijo Hrestak	Croatian Rock'n'Roll Association	
6.	GER	Tobias Bludau	Deutscher Rock'n'Roll und Boogie Woogie Verband	
7.	GER	Stefan Stahl	Deutscher Rock'n'Roll und Boogie Woogie Verband	
8.	GER	Leo Beck	Deutscher Rock'n'Roll und Boogie Woogie Verband	
9.	HUN	Bonita Lengyel	Hungarian DanceSport Association	
10.	POL	Ewa Ludwikowska	Polish Rock'n'Roll Acrobatic Union	
11.	SVK	Ladislav Ruppeldt	Slovak dance sport federation	