

Minutes WRRC Presidium meeting

Prague, 13.10.2013

Present: All Presidium Members

Minutes: M. Kerpan Izak

The president welcomed all Presidium members for the meeting.

The meeting started at 08:30

Item 1 Approval of Minutes Last Presidium meeting

- (247) The minutes were approved. Some decisions are still in process.
- (248) Confirmation of decision following the Skype PM held on August 28,2013
- Presidium confirms the final concept and rules and regulations of New judging system RR – it is clear some details will still change during the process of the implementation
 - The new system will be tested in Moscow and Winterthur, Tihomir Doric from Linum will be present to handle the technics
 - The new system will start for all RR couple competitions from the beginning of 2014
 - All RR judging licences will be withdrawn on 31.12.2013. Every RR judge needs to visit the seminar in order to reconfirm the licence. Three licence seminars will be offered in spring 2014. A small fee of 100 € will apply.
 - PH will prepare job description and requirements for technical judges. For first events in 2014 the members of the working group will be appointed as TJ, later new persons will be added.
 - All new functionality required for RegSW, LPS, calculation of factors, announcement of Acrobatics... will be developed by Linum. All costs must be confirmed in advance by MKI.
 - The Presidium Members will take part at the first seminar in Klotten to supervise the details.
 - After the seminar in Vienna (end of September) all documents will be published on WRRC home page and sent by e-mail to all seminar participants
 - The Presidium has discussed in details all the pro/con for footwork round in future concept or RR competitions. There are many reasons in both sides but we strongly believe that with the new concept also the dancing part in the acrobatic will grow and expand. However we also feel the necessity of keeping the footwork in our dancing so a new competition just for dancing category will be started from 2015 on. The details and regulations will be decided on one of the following meetings.

Item 2 Cash

We need to prepare the budget for 2014. All Presidium members need to send the proposed balance for the existing and new projects to ME by the end of November so she can prepare the initial budget to be discussed during next PM.

Expenses Kaohsiung:

The reimbursement for the couples is in process. WRRC pays 2 extra nights in the hotel apart of the 3 nights paid by KOC. No other expenses are paid as it was already decided in January.

A discussion followed regarding the expenses of officials. The following has been decided:

- (249) For the officials the WRRRC will pay the difference from 1000 US\$ to the actual price of travel expenses. ME must inform the officials so they could send the claim for expenses. No other expenses will be paid.

Item 3 **France**

Robert Esteban reported about some open issues in France and would like to have some help from WRRRC Presidium.

For WRRRC and our sport the most important thing is that all the couples can take part o international competitions. We can't interfere in national policy, but we can encourage member countries to expand international activities – couples taking part on WRRRC events, organization of WRRRC competitions...

We propose a joint meeting with FFD to make some improvement and enable all dancers to be able to compete on international events.

Item 4 **WDSF**

Presidium discussed the feedback from World DanceSport Games. The Games were very positive for our federation. There is of course some space for improvement but generally the Games are a good promotion of our disciplines.

The Presidium would like to congratulate all WRRRC Members present in Kaohsiung for their excellent performance.

During the next WDSF Presidium meeting we will discuss in details about the structure, the dances etc. of each Associated Member in order to understand each other better.

MKI informed the Presidium that the new contract with WDSF has been signed by both Presidents. All our remarks were included for the final version. The contract is signed for the next three (3) years until the end of august 2016.

- (250) Presidium confirms the new Associated Membership Contract with WDSF signed by both Presidents.

MKI reported that with a help of Bartek Kobylanski from Poland we have approached the organizer of the next World Games which are planned in 2016 in Wroclaw. Bartek presented RR and the quality of couples taking part. Organizer informed us that WDSF needs to confirm us as competitive discipline. MKI has communicated this to WDSF and has been assured that WDSF will make sure as many disciplines as possible are included on the new WG.

Item 5 **Competitions**

- (251) The Presidium approves the list of songs presented by DB to be played LIVE for Boogie Woogie semi-final and final in Winterthur 2013

- (252) The Presidium Appointed the Supervisors for events in 2014

(253) Applications for new WRRRC events:

- GOC – Stuttgart (GER) **APPROVED**
 - 2014 World Masters & World Cup Boogie Woogie
 - 2015 World Championship Boogie Woogie all
 - 2016 European Championship Boogie Woogie all

- Zielona Gora (POL) 15.11.2014 World Ch. RR Main Class + World Cup Girl formation Juniors **APPROVED**
- Schaffhausen (SUI) 26.10.2016 World Championship Boogie all **APPROVED** but only if organized in Schaffhausen!

The option of optimization of transport of WRRC equipment for competitions has been discussed.

Item 6 Sport topics

New judging system (NJS):

PH reported about the recent activities and the feedback from both seminars. The last details have been clarified and all the documentation is being prepared for the official publishing on WRRC home page.

PH also explained about the necessity of a commission for new acrobatic elements. Also the details of judging seminars have been discussed as well as the precondition for the new judges. The NJS working group proposed that also an examination should follow the seminar, but in the discussion the Presidium did not support this idea. It has been clarified that no interpreters are allowed during the judging seminar (also for active judges). Each judge must have a sufficient knowledge of English to follow the seminar and participate actively in the discussion.

New judge's division concept will be used from 2015, the final details will be discussed during next PM.

MM reported about the changes of the rules following the new concept. The final details will be prepared after all the documentation is out. The new rules will be distributed to the Presidium for final confirmation.

- (254) On the judging seminars for RR judges in spring 2014 all existing WRRC judges can take part as well as new candidates for international judges. The conditions for new judges will be published by the end of November. The announcement of judges (existing and new) for the seminars must be set from national members.
- (255) The Working group for NJS will act as commission for new Acrobatics until the project is closed. All the questions about the whole concept should be sent to WRRC Sports Director.
- (256) In spring 2014 a seminar for the Protocol group for all SW changes required by NJS will be organized in Ljubljana. MKI will organize the seminar.
- (257) For the competitions in 2014 Members of the NJS group will act as Technical judges. Also the existing Observers will be invited to join. An official group for TJ will be established for 2015.

Following the decision from the last PM some countries have sent their proposals for members of Boogie Woogie judging commission. We have received the proposals from Switzerland, Sweden and Germany. The Presidium agrees with the proposed persons.

- (258) The Boogie Woogie commission is established with the following Members, Aina Nygaard (NOR) – Chair, Georges Santonja (SUI), Leo Beck (GER), Jan Falk (SWE)

Aina Nygaard shall contact the members and commence the required work as set out in the It Minutes.

The proposals from Formation commissioner and Boogie Woogie commissioner will be discussed during the next PM. Both commissioners will be contacted to review their proposals also from the aspect of the NJS.

PH proposed a new project regarding the final music for the competitions – the possibility to store the music on WRRRC server and play it directly without special CDs from the couples. MKI will prepare and overview of pro/con for the next meeting and then we decide if we continue with this idea.

Item 7 **Doping**

Manfred Mohab explained the formal procedure about the pending doping cases which he clarified with the new WDSF AntiDoping Director Ineke Crijns from NED.

All the open doping cases will be handled directly by WDSF following our Associated Membership Contract. We shall be informed accordingly.

Unfortunately we had a positive case at GOC in Stuttgart. The positive result was a consequence of the medicine used by one of the dancers.

WRRRC Presidium would like to remind all the federations, dancers, trainers about the Anti-Doping fight and awareness of all the actions, procedures and rules which all our active dancers and officials need to follow.

We shall encourage our Members to perform also doping testing in their own country and report yearly about the tests!

The Presidium has decided the possible testing locations for 2014.

Item 8 **Expansion**

DB reported about the recent activities. The progress is graduate; it takes time to develop and prepare the couples for first competitions.. MKI commented that we need a concept for the future and that it is very important to start with the activities of established Membership commission.

DB shall contact both members of the commission and discuss the possible tasks for 2014.

On Sunday after the competition in Moscow a round table for the expansion will be organized hosted by RUSFARR.

Item 9 **Marketing & PR**

A modernization of our home page is required as well as some other activities in area of marketing and PR. These activities shall be one of the priorities for 2014.

The meeting ended at 15:15

Next PM will be held on January 19/20 (Sunday/Monday) in Barcelona Spain.

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