

Minutes WRRC Presidium meeting

Barcelona, 19./20.01.2014

Present: M. Mohab, D. Bachmann, P. Herrmann, M. Kerpan Izak

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The president welcomed all Presidium members for the meeting.

The meeting started at 15:00

Item 1 Approval of Minutes Last Presidium meeting

The minutes were approved. Some decisions are still in process.

Decision (253) – correction of the date Boogie World Ch. 2016 – The correct date is 16.11.2016

Item 2 Cash

Presidium reviewed the presented balance sheet for 2013. The expenses were lower as planned so we spent less money from funds. On the other side also the income was lower due to lower number of events. For the future it is essential that we establish other resources of income otherwise we will not be able to start new projects and/or finish the existing ones. Under current financial situation Presidium can only plan again to use some money from the funds in Budget for 2014.

For the same reason Presidium was not able to confirm the budget for all presented projects from commissioners and different groups. We advise the future Presidium to request always a complete financial plan – investment and revenue for a planned project. To increase the income Presidium will present a Motion to GM to change registration fee, starting fee and to delete the 50% reduction for the tournament fee in case of combined events.

WRRC is paying for the Supervisor costs and Protocol costs (most of the time 2 persons) for all WRRC events so enough money should be allocated for these expenses.

The Presidium has also discussed the reimbursement of communication and related costs for Presidium members. With new technologies we all use electronic communication channels so in the new budget we will delete this post.

(268) The Presidium confirmed the balance sheet for 2013 and Budget for 2014 to be presented at GM in Cracow.

(269) The Presidium will propose a motion at GM to amend the WRRC Fee Scale as follows:

- 1.1 Membership fee Provisional Members 100 €
- 4.1 Tournament fee 700 € World Cup Girl formation Main Class/Juniors
- 2.3 **Registration fee for participants, per person and year** – 25 € from 01.01.2015
Registration fee for participants, per person and year – formation member 5 € per person – formation member – from 01.01.2015
- 3.1 Starting fee 10 € per person – from 01.01.2014
- To delete the item 4.3

Clarification of the Fee Scale point 3.1 – starting fee is applicable also on World Cup Girl formation Juniors/main Class.

ME reported that for 2013 only USA didn't pay the Membership fee.

We have some inactive Members which have not been active more than 4 years and have not paid any fees.

- (270) ME will contact the countries mentioned above regarding their activity. If no positive answer is received and the fees are not paid before the GM 2014 Presidium will decide about the annulment of Membership of the countries in question in accordance of WRRC Statutes §8 point 5.

Item 3 **General meeting 2014**

The announcement for the GM has been sent out by the President in December 2013 in accordance of WRRC Statutes §10 Point 2b.

The details about the hotel, nomination of the delegates and the Form of Proxy have been sent out to the Members by the Office. All the documents regarding GM can be found on WRRC Web Page.

The workshops and the Agenda of GM were discussed.
Because of the NJS there will be no Observer meeting during the GM.
The commissioners are invited to the GM. Their presence is requested on Saturday and Sunday.
The following schedule of meetings has been decided

- (271) Schedule of meetings GM weekend Cracow 2014
- Thursday March 6, 2014
 - i. Arrival Presidium and dinner (20:30)
 - Friday March 7, 2014
 - i. Presidium meeting 10.00 – 15.00
 - ii. Salt mine visit - > departure 17.00 (for all delegates already present)
 - iii. Welcome party
 - Saturday March 8, 2014
 - i. Round table & workshop expansion (DB) 09:30 – 11:30
 - ii. Presentation New judging system (PH) 11:45 – 12:45
 - iii. Presentation Doping & New Regulations (MM) 13:00 – 14:00
 - iv. Lunch 14:00 – 15:00
 - v. General meeting part 1 16:00 – 18:30
 - vi. Official party & dinner (in hotel) 20:00 – 23:00
 - Sunday March 9, 2014
 - i. General meeting part 2 09:30 – 13:00
 - ii. Lunch 13:00 – 14:00
 - iii. Presidium meeting (new elected) 14:00 – 15:00
- (272) The work of Presidium will be presented as an Overview as in previous 3 years. DB is appointed to prepare a draft.
- (273) The Presidium will propose a Motion for Honoration in Silver for Fred Pasqualin for his contribution and expertise in the project NJS.
- (274) Following the decision on GM 2012 in Ljubljana MKI will request a report of their activities from both federations from Denmark to be presented during GM so that the delegates can make a final decision about the membership from Denmark.
- (275) The Office will send a questionnaire to all member federations about their status and cooperation with WDSF in their country.
- (276) The preliminary Agenda of the GM will be sent out latest February 5, the final Agenda will follow in due time after all Motions are received.

Item 4 **WDSF**

MKI reported about the important items following the WDSF PM which took part prior to our meeting; in Barcelona as well. It is very important that we show our commitment for the whole project and get more actively involved in different commissions. After the elections and

establishment of new Presidium competent persons should be nominated to different WDSF commissions.

The importance of athletes' commission and representative has been pointed out once again and we must organize dancers' reunion and encourage the athletes to establish the commission ASAP. The WDSF 2020 Vision has been presented and it should bring the whole DanceSport on more professional level with constant improvement, expansion and transparent, objective, non-fixable judging system.

In countries where there is no cooperation between WRRRC and WDSF member, appropriate steps must be done in the near future to insure that both federations find a way to cooperate and connect.

Next WDSG are planned for September 2015; WDSF nominated Rock'n'Roll as a discipline for the next World Games in Poland (the decision now lies by IWGA) and BW Seniors could take part at the next World Master Games in 2015 or 2016.

WDSF President Carlos Freitag will attend the GM in Cracow to present the whole project – the benefits we can expect as an associate member but also our obligations and commitment for the project.

On WRRRC GM2014 we need to ratify the new Associated Membership Contract for the period September 2013 – August 2016.

The meeting ended on Sunday at 19:00.

The meeting restarted on Monday at 09:00.

Item 5 Doping

The procedure about a recent doping case of Boogie dancer F.B. is not yet clarified, we are still waiting about the official decision and instructions from WDSF.

Manfred Mohab will request additional information once again.

Item 6 Sport affairs

The Presidium has discussed the music loudness on tournaments. Each Supervisor must make sure to speak with the organizer and the person responsible for the music and let them know the limitations and also the positioning of loudspeakers.

The Presidium discussed the difficulties about the registration of music from formations. Some of them only send their songs where requested just before the tournament where they plan to take part.

(268) The formation can only be announced to a competition if it also registers the competition music.

PH Herrmann presented a new concept for a judges division for WRRRC tournament. Several years ago the GM appointed Presidium to find a transparent, objective way how to select countries for WRRRC events.

(269) Presidium accepts the proposed project and will presented it as a Motion on GM.

Some details about NJS were discussed. In 2015 or latest 2016 also all other disciplines have to change the scoring based on absolute marking following the concept of the NJS.

The acrobatic animations for Main class are now ready, we need to publish them on the web, we will also periodically publish Q&A about the NJS.

(270) Decisions connected with NJS

- Presidium will present the NJS as a Motion on GM for confirmation. MM and PH will prepare the necessary changes of rules and regulations affected with the NJS.
- The deduction table was confirmed to 5-10-25-50-75-100% both footwork and acrobatic round
- The acrobatic animation will be published on public part of WRRRC home page with Copyright sign of WRRRC and without possibility of download
- In the second phase "B" class figures and typical dance elements will be modelled as animations
- The 3rd judging seminar will be organized in autumn but only if at least 10 persons are announced
- The Version 2.0 of the NJS will be published latest February 5– with all the details decided in the last two Presidium meetings
- A special concept will be prepared for Observers – Main and "B" class – preconditions, examination... For 2014 we will use the persons from the working group to follow up the project.
- MKI will organize a meeting with all Protocol persons (in summer) for education how to use the new system and for testing the SW solution
- Presidium confirms the proposed changes for formations and request from the NJS working group to check them up if they fit into the NJS

(271) The NJS shall be introduced for the Boogie Woogie competitions in 2015, so the Boogie Woogie commission is requested to prepare the needed modifications and for this reason to suspend judging seminars in 2014.

(272) Confirmation of judging licences

France has announced Michel Carlus as International WRRRC RR judge. There are no documents proving that he passed a WRRRC examination in the past or has been published as WRRRC IJ in the years since 1998.

The licences of RR judges who were not active in 2013 are reconfirmed after visiting one of the seminars in 2014.

Almost 30 candidates for new WRRRC judges have been announced. The test will be done in autumn in two parts – first part theoretical + video judging and second part as a real judge on competitions. The details will be discussed after GM with new Presidium.

France proposed Michele Planques to a Boogie Woogie commission. The decision has been postponed to a PM meeting after the elections.

Some time ago we have made a decision that each dancer could print out a diploma from our result service. We still don't have the template for the diploma. DB will prepare the template for the next meeting.

Sweden presented a report of the new Lindy Hop World Cup series which has started successfully in 2013.

(273) The Presidium confirms that project is in accordance with the GM decision in 2012 and encourages the group to expand the project. At the moment no special budget can be allocated. At first we need a clear project description what will be our benefits if we invest money in the project and when can we expect the revenue back.

The meeting ended on Monday at 13:15

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WRRRC President

