Minutes WRRC Presidium meeting

Zagreb, 14-15.01.2018

Present: M. Kerpan Izak (MKI), K. Kis (KK), D. Lilih (DL), Marina Eskolin (ME), M.

Mohab (MM), K.Tikhonova (KT – over Skype link)

Absent: E. Pagano

Expansion Manager: M. Kalacheva (MK – over Skype link)

WRRC Office: K. Bosnar (KB)

Minutes: K. Bosnar

The president welcomed all Presidium members for the meeting.

The meeting started on Saturday, 14.01.2018 at 15:00

1. MINUTES AND DECISIONS LAST PM

The minutes from the last Presidium meeting in were accepted.

Tasks in progress:

• (215) and (216) Merchandize and Educational Modules:

MK and KK gave short overview over the progress, regarding the possible Webshops (two solutions, one on the free platform (MK), and one on usual platform (KK)). For the next Presidium meeting, both options will be elaborated, with general overview of the economic benefits and possible merchandize item on which the WRRC would have the right on royalties.

Online seminars are connected with the proposed Platform from the sponsor, and will be implemented in the second part of 2018

2. FINANCES

• Balance sheet 2017:

ME and MKI gave the overview of the Balance Sheet for 2017. Since the Presidium meeting was held very early in January 2018, it was not possible to entirely close all open obligations.

- All open claims for 2017 must be sent to the Finance director latest till 31.01.2018. From this year on, claims will be accepted only if sent before January 15th concerning the finance of the previous year.
- WRRC Office will send the final reminder to all member federations to send the invoice for the Reimbursement of the main class couples (RR and BW), participating on the World Championships.
- ME will send the membership invoices to all members. The membership fee must be paid before the General Meeting 2018
- Presidium reviewed the status of all members: Members who haven't paid the Membership fee for the last 3 years, will be marked as inactive and removed from Home page and other public lists (Netherlands, Latvia, S. Korea). Reminders and query about their status will be sent to Hong Kong and Japan.

Budget 2018:

- All existing contracts which include financial obligations of the WRRC will expire with the end of March 2018, and the newly elected Presidium shall sign the new contracts after the General Meeting 2018
- Following the changes of competitions structure, some changes in Fee Scale have been accepted. They will be proposed as a presidium Motion at GM 2018
- (251) Presidium confirmed the balance sheet for 2017, and proposed the budget for 2018. All documents will be available to the members in due time before the General Meeting 2018.
- (252) Presidium confirmed the changes in the Fee Scale. The new Fee Scale will be proposed as a motion for General Meeting 2018.

3. General Meeting 2018, Moscow

President made the overview of presidium work, congratulated to all members, but unfortunately vice-president PR Comm, EP, has not fulfilled his obligations in 2017.

WRRC invites the members to propose the candidates for RR SC and BW SC (by the statutes it is the Presidium who appoints the commissions as well as candidates for Medical Commissioner).

Nominations and motions should be sent until 27.01.2018. The presidium will review the motions for GM in advance. Following the number of the motions, Presidium will adjust the time table accordingly.

- (253) Following the upcoming elections, Presidium will close all WRRC commissions on Friday, 09.03.2018, because the commissioners must be (re)appointed by the new Presidium:
 - (Rock'n'Roll) sport commission
 - Boogie Woogie sport commission

(254) Workshops on Saturday, 10.03.2018:

- Antidoping (90 minutes with discussion)
- New Competition Structure (30 minutes)
- Music Presentation about musicality, recorded in advance, WRRC music lists (BW-RR), musical rights (90 minutes)
- InterRock possiblities (KK) (30 minutes)
- Review of the World Games (B. Kobylanski) (20 minutes)
- Expansion project report (MaK)
- New WRRC homepage (KB)

4. Competitions

4.1. Competitions in 2018

(255) WRRC Contract of events will be revised, and the revised version will be used for all competitions in 2018. The following points will be added:

- Organizer's responsibility regarding the musical rights, according to the laws in the country
- Special obligations for possible WRRC General Sponsor
- Clarification of individual points
- Sanctions in cases when contractual obligations are not met
- (256) Organizers should take care that all the installations in the competition hall must be ready before the beginning of the competition. Time table of each competition should be send to the Sports Director for confirmation, before publishing, in order to avoid unwanted delays during the event.

4.2. Competition in Zielona Gora (23-24.06.2018):

- (257) Presidium confirmed the proposed two-day event in Zielona Gora having all disciplines over both days preliminaries on Saturday, semifinals and finals on Sunday. Final combination of the categories and possible workshops during and after the competitions will be published by the end of January, but the following competitions are planned:
 - World Cup RR Main Class, B class, Juniors, Juveniles
 - Open European championship RR Master formations, RR Junior formations
 - World Cup RR Girl formations

4.3. Confirmation of officials on competitions in 2018:

- (258) The Presidium confirmed Supervisors, Observers and Scrutineers for 2018
- (259) The Presidium confirmed locations and dates of doping test in 2018.
- (260) The Presidium confirmed earlier proposed competition calendar for 2018. Following the decision of new competition structure, the organizers will be informed about the change from World Masters to World Cup

4.4. Code of ethics for judges

Presidium received some informal complaints about the code of ethics and behavior of judges during WRRC events. Also, WRRC Supervisors have observed several irregularities.

Presidium would like to strictly point out on WRRC code of ethics. Judges cannot communicate with the couples or trainers during the event

4.5. Letter from FFD

The Presidium discussed about a letter received from FFD Regarding the WCh in Belgium:

- The reason of late announcement of an individual judge was because he was a replacement for cancellation of already appointed judge
- Detailed results including points for each criteria are published for all competitions on WRRC Home Page

5. Sport topics

5.1. New competition structure in 2018

MKI gave an overview of the proposal of the new competition structure. For the World and continental championships there will be no changes in the structure of qualified couples per country (Champion + 2 Top 10 + 3 regular + 1 Wildcard for the organizer).

The idea was to establish more events for RR Main Class and to make a competition at the end of the year including several disciplines.

- (262) The Presidium confirmed new competition structure (appendix of the minutes) valid from 01.01.2018 since it doesn't affect the flow of events in 2018.
- (263) The Presidium approved the removal of Prize money for individual Rock'n'Roll events, and has introduced the Prize money for Final World Cup (Subject of the Approval of Fee Scale by AGM).
- (264) The first Final World Cup will be organized in December 2018 in Ljubljana. WRRC will support the organization of the Final World Cup. Based on the experience from Ljubljana, the rules will be set for this type of event. The local organizer can add additional disciplines, which do not collide with the final World Cup, on the second day of the event.

5.2. Revision of the NJS for Rock'n'Roll for 2018

The Sport Commission had a meeting on 17-19.11.2017 in Zagreb, and made the revision of the NJS for 2018, based on the experience since the last revision in 2015, and proposal from our members.

- (265) The Presidium confirmed all changes and improvements of NJS RR valid for 2018.
 - Special bonus in points for special elements in RR Main Class
 - Naming the elements by the first couple who performed it (based also on the approval of the couple)
 - Minor revision of RR B class catalog and change of points for individual elements (including better description for elements to be used in combinations)
 - Implementation of sub criteria for Dance figure, Choreography (and Formation mark)
 - Factor for final score in formations following the number of dancers in formations
 - Reduction from the fall changed from acrobatic judge to Observer
 - Minor editorial changes

All documents have already been published in December 2017, so the changes are valid from 01.01.2018.

(266) Presidium approved that RR Juvenile and Junior couples can use their own music without restriction on selection of songs from 01.01.2018. All the regulations about the approval of the music are the same as in other categories.

5.3. New division of age groups

Presidium discussed about possible changes of age groups and dancing time especially in younger categories and formations. The following will be proposed as Presidium motion on the GM

(267) Motion 1: Age groups juveniles

- Juveniles: 10 14 years
- Juveniles 2: 8 11 years
- The couple who has already competed in Juveniles, can't come back in Juveniles 2
- The following competitions are not organized for Juveniles 2: World and Continental Championship, final World cup
- Valid from 01.01.2019

(268) Motion 2: RR Junior formations

- Age: 11 17 (with remaining two exceptions)
- SL3 restrictions
- 0 4 acrobatics, scored in dance and formation criteria
- Length of music: 2:15 2:30
- Valid from 01.01.2019

(269) Motion 3: Girls and Ladies formation

- Long program -> Length of music: 2:15 2:30
- Long program to be danced in semifinal and final
- Valid from 01.01.2019

5.4. Judging commission, evaluation of judges

WRRC judging commission (MKI, DL, KK) and RR sport commission analyzed the results by the individual criteria from many events in 2017. Upon the result of analysis some special points were prepared for RR judging seminar. The commission is cooperating with WRRC SW provider to find a sollution for objective, automatic analysis directly from the competition software. When the toolls will be ready, we will be able to check each judge individually.

5.5. Boogie Woogie

Presidium discussed about different topics regarding Boogie Woogie

- NJS in practice connection with Boogie Woogie spirit and BW community
- BW music on competition the system we have now means the first heat in each round has disadvantage regarding all other heats
- Number of Boogie woogie events and couples

One of the main priorities of the new Presidium has to be Boogie Woogie in general inside the WRRC. Meetings will be organized after GM

6. Education

6.1. National packages - NJS documents, materials for teaching at national level

KK presented the WRRC educational materials ready to be used on international or national level. A special platform is being prepared for this (KT, MK) and further discussion will go on during the PM in March in Moscow.

6.2. Evaluation of the trainers on international level – International certificates from WRRC (Judges and Trainers)

KK presented the idea of licensing/certifying trainers which is especially important in new countries where RR and BW have not been developed yet. Such certificate would give the local trainers better options for funding, cooperating with Sports organization etc. The project will be developed after the elections (subject of reelection of existing Presidium members)

KK opened a discussion about judges in new countries, licensing system, practice (there are no real events) and in discussion we touched again the webinars which could be realized quite simply with existing technical tools. The project will be developed after the elections (subject of reelection of existing Presidium members)

Presidium discussed about the importance of education the trainers, couples and other persons involved in WRRC, since we can observe that many trainers are not aware of WRRC rules and competition requirement. Revitalization of Interrock or similar training camp would be the best place to start with such workshops. The project will be developed after the elections (subject of reelection of existing Presidium members)

7. PR, Marketing and Expansion (Skype Session)

7.1. PR promo book (Marina K)

- (270) PROMO BOOK the text will be reviewed immediately after the PM in Zagreb. The presidium approved the draft of promo book, the final design will be approved electronically, the promo book must be ready until GM 2018
- (271) LOGO at the moment there will be no change of logo, we only use fixed colors in Rall. For the future an overall redesign of logo, corporal identity and branding is possible.

7.2. Expansion project

- (272) New contracts with expansion Curators will be signed. The presidium approved the text in the contract.
- (273) MK shall prepare the detailed expansion plan for 2018 following the accepted budget.
- (274) The Presidium confirmed some details regarding the expansion project

- Focus on sustainable development
- Focus on USA and a couple who could be a contender for a final on the next World Games
- Support for WRRC couples taking part at America's got talent
- (275) The Presidium confirmed the agreement between WRRC and FDSARR for cooperation in Expansion project

7.3. Sponsor package – details, numbers

KT, MK, MKI informed the Presidium members about the contract with a company which will be WRRC General sponsor and which will affect our projects and budget in the next three years.

(276) The Presidium confirmed the agreement between WRRC and proposed sponsor.

8. WDSF

MKI and DL will report about WDSF Presidium meeting and Sport Commission meeting on the next WRRC PM. If urgent maters arise they will be discussed and decided by evoting

9. Next Presidium meeting

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Operational day to day business will be discussed and decided when needed by digital means of communication.

Next Presidium meeting will be held on 09.03.2018 in Moscow

The President thanked all members and closed the meeting on 15.01.2018 at 17:15.

Minutes:

WRRC Office Kresimir Bosnar Approved:

WRRC President Miriam Kerpan Izak

APPENDIX 1: WRRC Competition types

A WRRC World championship & Continental championship

- Main Class,
- Seniors,
- Juniors
- Juveniles
- All formation categories

3 per country + Champion + 2 from top 10 + 1 WC

Upon the approval of WRRC Presidium the Continental Championships can be open

Top 10 - > from running ranking – over 1 year, the worst result of each couple is not counted,

- > if there is only one competition in this period, the last two events count!

B WRRC Subcontinental championship

- Main Class,
- Seniors,
- Juniors
- Juveniles
- All formation categories

Categories and couples decided by the organizing committee of the subcontinental national federations which must be WRRC Members. WRRC NJS must be used for the competition to be called WRRC »Subcontinental« Championship.

C WRRC World Cup

- Main Class,
- »B« class
- Seniors,
- Juniors
- Juveniles
- Juveniles 2
- All formation categories (if the Wch and Ech have been already granted)

8 per country or unlimited

Ranking points - all points from World Cup competitions per calendar year, the worst result of each couple is not counted, - > World Cup Final

There is no prize money required from WRRC for any category of the World Cup. The organizer can pay the prize money on his own discretion. The amount of possible prize money has no influence on the ranking points.

WORLD CUP FINAL

- Top 20 couples from World Cup ranking per Main Class (RR & BW) and B class
- Top 12 couples from World Cup ranking per Juniors, Seniors, Juveniles (no formations, no juveniles 2)
- First round on the competition is considered as quarter final (it means no hope round and no slow round in Boogie Woogie Main Class)
- Prize money for RR and BW Main Class overall ranking placement per calendar year

In case of general Sponsor World Cup (in one or more categories) can be called WRRC »Sponsor World Cup

Prize Money Final Placement World Cup Ranking (paid by WRRC)

Place	RR Main Class	BW Main Class
1.	3000 €	2500 €
2.	2500 €	2000 €
3.	1800 €	1500 €
4.	1200 €	900€
5.	700 €	600€
6.	600 €	400 €
7.	400 €	300 €
8.	200 €	200€
9.	200 €	200€
10.	200 €	200€
11.	200 €	200 €
12.	200 €	200€
13.	100 €	100 €
14.	100 €	100 €
15.	100 €	100 €
16.	100 €	100 €
17.	100 €	100 €
18.	100 €	100 €
19.	100 €	100 €
20.	100 €	100 €
TOTAL	12.000 €	10.000 €

All the values are inclusive with VAT and all other taxes.

D WRRC International Open

- For all categories (WRRC can limit the number of categories per day)
- WRRC NJS system must be used
- The organizer can select the judges & Observers

- There are no ranking points on such events
- The country can organize international open only if it has organized at least one
 event from types A, B, C in the last two years. This restriction doesn't apply for
 new WRRC Members WRRC Presidium decides in such cases

E Multi-sport events

- WRRC Presidium will prepare the regulations for each multi-sport event separately based on requirement from the governing federation and agreement between WDSF and WRRC
- There are no ranking points for such events

F Other events

• WRRC Presidium can grant other types of events