



## **MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) 2007**

**Hotel Mundial, Lisbon (Portugal)**

**25<sup>th</sup> February 2007**

### Present:

Piergiovanni Gionchetta	IISHF President	(PG)	
Ingo Goerke	IISHF Financial Director	(IG)	
Erik Sommer	IISHF Vice President	(ES)	
Jan Lebis	Austria	(JL)	with vote
Claes Fréder	Denmark	(CF)	with vote
Stefan Brütt	Germany	(SB)	with vote
Stefan Gehrig	Germany	(SG)	
Tony Downes	Great Britain	(TD)	with vote
Liz Jeffries	Great Britain	(LJ)	
Evgeni Mogilevski	Israel	(EM)	with vote
Vitali Mogilevski	Israel	(VM)	
Paul Crauwels	Netherlands	(PC)	with vote
Igor Kolesov	Russia	(IK)	with vote
Pierre Andre Meyrat	Switzerland	(PM)	with vote
Ueli Strueby	Switzerland	(US)	

### **1. WELCOME ADDRESS FROM PRESIDENT**

PG opened the meeting on 9.00 am and welcomed all of the delegates to the AGM in Lisbon and thanked them all for coming. The delegates from the new IISHF members Israel and Russia have been especially welcomed. PG thanked all delegates for their great contribution at the working meeting the day before (Saturday).

### **2. PROOF OF CORRECT ANNOUNCEMENT CONVENING THE GENERAL MEETING**

IG confirmed that according to point 9.5 IISHF Constitution the announcement convening the General Meeting has been sent out on time. Furthermore according to point 9.6 – 9.8 IISHF Constitution the agenda, all reports and proposals have been sent out on time.

### **3. ESTABLISHMENT OF VOTING RIGHTS AND OF THE QUORUM**

IG confirmed that according to point 9.9 IISHF Constitution a quorum for the General Meeting shall consist of no less than three Member Countries. No Member was suspended and all NGBs have fulfilled their payments regulations incl. membership fees 2007. IG added that the Council of Members have to confirm the temporary membership of ISRAEL and RUSSIA

⇒ All agreed (14 votes)

According to point 8.2 IISHF Constitution the Members were entitled to vote as follows:

AUSTRIA	Jan Lebis	1 vote
DENMARK	Claes Freder	3 votes
GERMANY	Stefan Brütt	3 votes
GREAT BRITAIN	Liz Jeffries	3 votes
ISRAEL	Evgeni Wittali	1 vote
NETHERLANDS	Paul Crauwels	1 vote
RUSSIA	Igor Kolesov	1 vote
<u>SWITZERLAND</u>	<u>Pierre-André Meyrat</u>	<u>3 votes</u>
Total		16 votes

#### **4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

IG asked the members if they will agree and confirm the agenda.

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

#### **5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING**

All delegates had received the minutes from the previous meeting (Rome). According to point 9.13 IISHF Constitution no objections to the minutes have been sent to the IISHF within two weeks of receipt.

⇒ Vote with 14 Yes and 2 abstained (Israel and Russia) that the Minutes were a true and accurate record

LJ asked to point 21 (matter of number of medals). IG explained and answered that since 2006 in general three different medals will be given out (gold, silver and bronze).

#### **6. WRITTEN REPORT FROM THE PRESIDUM**

All delegates received the written Presidium Report. No questions were asked on this item.

#### **7. WRITTEN FINANCIAL REPORT 2006 AND AUDITED ACCOUNTS**

IG confirmed that according to point 9.6 IISHF Constitution all delegates received the Accounts and written Financial Report on time. IG gave a brief explanation of the Accounts and informed the meeting that the Audit had been done. All delegates were happy with the format and the content of the Accounts.

IG answered on the request of PM that no modification had to be done after the audit.

#### **8. REPORT FROM THE AUDIT COMMITTEE**

This year the Audit Committee was SB (Germany) and JL (Austria). On behalf of the Audit Committee SB gave the Audit Report (see attachment) and thanked IG for his good work.

#### **9. APPROVAL OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PRESIDUM**

SB asked the meeting to approve the activities of the Presidium.

⇒ Vote with 14 Yes and 2 abstained (Israel and Russia) for the approval

## **10. DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE REPORT**

ES as Chairman of the 2006 Disciplinary Committee gave each delegate a copy of all cases dealt with in 2006 (see attachment) and a brief statement on the cases. ES stated that he had a good Committee and they had all worked very well together. On behalf of IISHF IG thanked ES and his committee for the good work.

## **11. APPEALS COMMITTEE REPORT**

PM stated that there were no appeals in 2006.

## **12. MOTIONS TO CHANGE THE CONSTITUTION**

IG led this section of the meeting and asked if including the discussed modification of point 17.7 Constitution

”In the event of a tied vote to the Constitution, the proposal shall be rejected. In the event of a tied vote to the Regulations or to the Rules of the Game, the Presidium shall have the casting vote”

a general vote can be taken for all changes proposed of the constitution.

⇒ All agreed and confirmed the new IISHF Constitution (16 votes)

## **13. MOTIONS TO CHANGE THE REGULATIONS**

IG led this section of the meeting and asked if a general vote can be taken for all changes proposed of the Regulations.

⇒ All agreed and confirmed the new IISHF Regulations (16 votes)

## **14. MOTIONS TO CHANGE THE RULES OF THE GAME**

IG led this section of the meeting and asked that except for the items noted yesterday where a separate vote should be taken, that the meeting agree that all others be taken together on one combined vote.

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 1.3.3

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 1.4.4

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 1.5.1 + 1.5.2

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 3.3.4 (black helmet)

⇒ Agreed by 10-6 votes (with CH and GB against)

Motions to agree to change the points 3.4.1

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 3.5.3

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 4.2.1 with the modified proposal: “These Players must be kitted up and be on the Players Bench for the first game”

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 5.3.1

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 5.5.1

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the point 6.1.7 incl. removal of one paragraph

⇒ Not agreed by 3 Yes (CH), 4 Abstentions (A, I, NL, R) and 9 No (DK, D, GB)

Motions to agree to change the points 7.1.7

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 7.3.1

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 7.9.4

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 7.10.7

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 7.13.7

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 7.13.8

⇒ Agreed by 9 Yes, 1 Abstention (NL) and 6 No (GB, D)

Motions to agree to change the points 8.6.3

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 8.7.1

⇒ Agreed by 10 Yes, 2 Abstentions (NL, R) and 4 No (A, GB)

Motions to agree to change the points 8.15.7

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 8.21.14

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 8.26.3

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

Motions to agree to change the points 8.27.2 with the following new by CF proposed version

“In a Penalty Shoot Out each Team will select 5 Players and 1 Goalkeeper. In the event of an injury/penalty a substitute player can be used. Players and Goalkeepers who are still serving a penalty are excluded. All 5 shots in the Penalty Shoot Out will be taken unless there is a winner. The shots will be taken in alternate sequence. The Team who will shoot first will be decided by the drawing of lots by the Captains. If at the conclusion of the Penalty Shoot Out, there is still no winner, the Penalty Shoot Out will be continued in the same sequence as in the initial sequence, until one Player fails to score when his opponent has scored

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

## **15. ELECTIONS OF THE OFFICERS OF THE PRESIDUM**

IG stated that the Presidium was elected last year and is office for two years. Thus the next election of the IISHF Presidium will take place in 2008.

## **16. ELECTION OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE**

IG explained to the meeting that one of the Audit Committee Members should stay this year and that was Jan Lebis from Austria as he had only served 1 year. It was proposed that CF from Denmark shall be the new Audit Committee member for 2007 and 2008.

⇒ CF duly elected by 13 Yes and 3 Abstentions (DK)

## **17. ELECTION OF THE APPEALS COMMITTEE**

The members of the Appeals Committee (PM, TD, PC, SB) have been elected in 2006 for a two years term.

PC stated that he will resign with immediate effect and proposed to be replaced by Saskia Van der Wejer (Netherlands) who is lawyer. PC promised to make sure that the IISHF Presidium will get the written confirmation from SW as soon as possible.

VOTE: Saskia van der Weijer as new member of the Appeals Committee

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

## **18. PRESENTATION OF BUDGET FOR 2007**

IG presented the budget for 2007, there was a short discussion and IG clarified a few points. PC suggested that money was allocated for development. IG pointed that out that because of the very expensive referee course (expenses 10.000,--EUR) a minus of 5.000,-- EUR has to be planned.

Vote for the budget

⇒ All agreed (16 votes)

## **19. MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2007**

No adjustment was decided.

## **20. TITLE EVENTS FOR 2007 and 2008**

All title events have already been fixed for 2007.

A general system for fixing the tournament schedule shall be worked out. It will be presented at the AGM 2008 in order to put it into the regulations. Each schedule will also be generally sent out first as a draft.

IG stressed that we need hosts for the coming years. All countries have to contribute. LJ asked that IISHF shall please consider supporting the hosting of a title event financially - in that case GB would be able to assist. IG answered that IISHF is always willing to assist – in this case BiSHA has to produce a detailed financial plan to IISHF and IISHF is looking forward to this.

For 2008 IISHF received the following applications:

- Men European Cup 2008 to be hosted by Duisburg Ducks (Germany) - flexible date before summer holidays
- Women European Cup 2008 – No application so far
- Junior European Cup 2008 – No application so far
- Youth European Cup 2008 to be hosted by Samurai Iserlohn (Germany) - flexible date before summer holidays
- Pee Wee European Cup 2008 to be hosted by Gentofte (Denmark) on 20-22.06.2008 with 10 teams on a big rink with 30x60 meters

- Men European Championship 2008 – No application so far, but Netherlands is much interested. Within the end of April 2007, final information will be given by PC. Regarding the fixing of a date IG stated that IISHF is absolutely flexible – the hosting on an ice rink is no problem.
  - Women European Championship 2008 – No application so far
  - Junior European Championship 2008 to be hosted by 1. CSC Krefeld (Germany) on 29.-31.08.2008.
- ⇒ The IISHF Presidium agreed and confirmed all applications – open dates to be confirmed until 31.05.2007 by ISHD.
- ⇒ All NGBs are seriously requested to look for a host for the missing title events – this especially refers to those NGBs who take part with teams, but did not host title events in the last years.

For 2009 IISHF received the following applications:

- Men European Cup 2009 to be hosted by SHC Rossemaison (Switzerland) on 04.-06.09.2009 – IISHF stated that the date has to be changed to before summer holidays and has to be confirmed until 31.05.2007 by FSIH.
  - Men European Championships 2009 to be hosted by Crash Eagles Kaarst (Germany) – flexible date after summer holidays – open date to be confirmed until 31.05.2007 by ISHD
- ⇒ The IISHF Presidium agreed and confirmed both applications under the precondition of date as stated before.

For 2010 IISHF received the following application:

- Men European Cup 2010 to be hosted by ÖRSV (Austria) in Vienna – flexible date after summer holidays and has to be confirmed until AGM 2008.
- ⇒ The IISHF Presidium agreed and confirmed the application under the precondition as stated before.

## **21. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Gesture from Switzerland

PM handed out a copy to each NGB of the television coverage of the final from the European Championship for Men 2006 in Lugano, Switzerland.

Austrian Team DVD

JL informed that on their homepage [www.teamaustria.at](http://www.teamaustria.at) it is possible to download all the Austrian games from the last European Championship for Men.

Number of teams for European Championship

PC asked what would this mean if more NGBs are entering IISHF? IG stated that at the moment we would accept maximum 8 National teams for European Championships. If really more than 8 Nations will send teams to an European Championship, a complete new title event structure has to be discussed.

European Championship for Men and Women 2007

JL informed that there will be a welcome reception Thursday and a players party Sunday after the games. So it is suggested that you travel home on Monday.

Homepage information about member countries

PG asked that all member countries check their national information on the IISHF homepage [www.iisfh.com](http://www.iisfh.com)

Future Working Group

PC mentioned that the procedure with a working group was a good experience and that it should be repeated. PC offered to lead any working group in future - the work for AGM 2008 should begin at the beginning of October after the conclusion of all the Title events. The NGBs are requested to inform PC about any modification or matter to be discussed

ON behalf of the IISHF Presidium IG again thanked SD, PA and PC for their good work.

AGM 2008

The AGM 2008 will take place in February 2008. As location it was suggested Barcelona, Vienna, Valencia and Madrid

⇒ The IISHF Presidium will fix and publish the date and location of AGM 2008 until 30.04.2007

The Annual General Meeting was closed on 1.30 pm.

*La Heutte, 07.03.2007*

*Signed by  
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IISHF President*

*Signed by  
Erik Sommer  
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