



Technical Committee

Meeting – Held on Wednesday, 3 November 2021

Attendance:

Sam Coffa (Chairman); Reiko Chinen, Milan Mihajlovic; Abdullah Al Jarmal; Italo Barattini; Mustafa Mahdi; Sirilak Thatman; Pedro Sanchez.

In attendance also: Mohamed Jaloud (IWF General Secretary), Sarah Davies (Chair- Athletes Commission), Matyas Lencser (IWF Competition Manager), Zoli Veres (IWF).

Agenda

Bodyweight Categories – 2024 Paris Olympic Games

open the discussion about the possibilities of changing the bodyweight categories for the 2024 Olympic Games given that the IOC has allocated 5 Men and 5 Women Categories and reduced the quota slots down to 120.

The Chairman, welcome all and gave a brief account of the work done so far and open the meeting for discussion. He further stated that the IOC has already set a dateline for the Olympic Qualification System and therefore there is an urgency about the subject.

At this stage Mohamed Jaloud (IWF General Secretary) entered the meeting, he welcomed everybody and suggested that we must work fast and cohesively to reach a conclusion on the matter so that a recommendation can be made to the Executive Board.

Discussion

Much discussion ensued; proposals were made by many members including the suggestion that we might decide to not make changes, rather extrapolate 5 Categories out of the 10 Categories available to us.

Sarah Davis made a presentation with supporting graphs to make the point that we must endeavour to populate the most competitive and densely participated categories.



Following a very productive exchange of ideas the Committee decided to set up a task force group to work on the subject and report back upon reaching a conclusion.

The following were nominated to engage in this project: Reiko Chinen, Milan Mihajlovich, Mustafa Mahdi, Pedro Sanchez, Sarah Davies and Matyas Lencser.

Allowance

Dr. Al Jarmal reminded everyone that no allowance, as stipulated by policy, has been received for some time, and he strongly called on the IWF General Secretary/Treasurer to consider awarding the allowance for the meeting of the Committee held during the Olympic Games in Tokyo and for the current meeting held on November 3, 2021.

Mr. Mohamed Jaloud requested that the Chairman provide the minutes of the meeting, detailing the attendance and he will facilitate the payment.

Sam Coffa
Chairman