

Medical Committee minutes_Riyadh_9th Sept. 2023

8 Members present out of 11

Chairman: Dr. Fathi Masmoudi

Members: Dr. Dogan Atlihan

Dr. Dado Medic

Dr. George Tsikouris

Dr. Seza Tchobanian

Dr. Wei Li

Dr. Zurab Kakhabrishvili

Present Online: Dr. Mark Lavallee

Absent: Dr. Viridiana Silva Quiroz

Dr. Yu Mi Kim

Dr. Rafael Romero Reyes

The IWF General Secretary, Mr. Urso gave a report, saying that we spend a lot on anti-doping, we are happy about the cooperation with ITA and reported about the next IOC decision that will happen end of the month.

Dr. Mark Lavallee took the floor and gave a report on the Gender Identity topic, and raised the question how should we consider the 3rd category, and was telling about inclusivity from a gender issue, in USA WL they have male-female and open category. Among Medical Committee members they discussed that they should advise something and make a decision about the 3rd group. It was however mentioned that if they change before puberty that is OK.

There is a Gender Identity Committee which is chaired by Ms. Ursula Papandrea and with representants from other Committees. Last time they met they agreed on 4 names in order to create a medical Sub-Committee composed of 4 doctors: Dr. Lavallee, Dr. Seza Tchobanian, Dr. George Tsikouris and Dr. Dogan Atlihan and they will be in charge of reviewing each case.

An E-mail address : gender@iwf.sport will be created and managed by Melody.

The Gender Identity policy shall be published on IWF's website and information on the sub-committee and how to apply as well.

The Members brought up the topic of the nomination of doctors for IWF events and proposed to get the list of the Doctors before their appointment and Medical Committee will vote.

Dr. Fathi proposed to have a requirement in the host agreement to have correct food for the athletes.

Finally Dr. Tsikouris made a very useful presentation about the application of Hip Arthroscopy in Weightlifters with hip injuries. He presented to the Members the results from his own study.