

**REPORT
of the
IWF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
17-18 October 2013**

Venue: **Haston City Hotel, Wroclaw, Poland**

Present: Dr. Tamás Aján, President

Mr. Ma Wenguang, General Secretary, Mr. Nicu Vlad, 1st Vice President

Maj.Gen. Intarat Yodbangtoey, Mr. Sam Coffa, Mr. Alexander Gerasimenko, Dato Ong Poh Eng, Mr. José Quinones Vice Presidents

Ms. Moira Lassen, Mr. Pyrros Dimas, Mr. Birendra P. Baishya, Mr. Mohamed Jaloud, Dr. Michael Irani, Mr. David Montero, Dr. Christian Baumgartner, Dr. Fathi Masmoudi, Executive Board Members

H.E. Marcus Stephen, Dr. Antonio Urso, Mr. Khaled Mhalhel, Continental Presidents

Excused: Mr. Mohamed Y. Al Mana, Mr William Ozuna

1. Opening by the President

Following the opening by **President Dr. Aján**,

2. Welcome address by the hosts

Ms. Halina Pikula, General Secretary of the Polish Federation offered a welcome on behalf of PZPC President **Mr. Sz. Kolecki**.

3. Summary of the President

The President read his résumé.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the Beijing meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting of Beijing were unanimously approved.

7. Reports of Committee Chairs on the first meetings

7.1 Technical Committee – Mr. Coffa

Mr. Coffa was also reporting on the Joint meeting of the 3 Committees and major points of discussion.

The TC Report was unanimously accepted.

7.2 Coaching and Research Committee – Maj.Gen. Intarat Yodbangtoey

The report was submitted in writing with the Chairman's oral comments.

The CRC Report was unanimously accepted.

7.3 Medical Committee – Dr. M. Irani

The report was submitted in writing with the Chairman's oral comments.

The MC Report was unanimously accepted.

A Working Group was set up to review the organisation of World Championships:

As official members Mr. Coffa, Ms. Chinen (TC)

Messrs. Lyn Jones, K. Pierce (CRC)

1st VP Mr. Nicu Vlad

IWF Competition Director Mr. Ádámfi

*As well as Dr. Michael Irani, Ms. Moira Lassen, Ms. Anikó Németh-Móra, Mr. David Goldstrom as Consultants
To be coordinated by IWF President Dr. Aján. Unanimously accepted.*

12.1 Issue of combined Federations (Weightlifting with Bodybuilding / Powerlifting or other sports)

Dr. Magdolna Trombitás made a presentation regarding IWF Constitution Article 3.1.3 ("Unless specifically authorized the combination of weightlifting with other sports that have their own international federation is not permitted") and asked the EB to urge its implementation among MFs.

The President proposed that a call be sent to the Member Federations to separate their weightlifting federation from other sports by 31 December 2014. The Membership Commission would monitor this. - Unanimously approved.

5. Insurance of weightlifting competitors and officials against in-competition accidents

Dr. Aján informed the EB that the terms of a general insurance tailored to weightlifting were now being negotiated.

The EB welcomed the idea and unanimously agreed in principle to proceed with the project and prepare a motion for approval.

11. Information about the IWF Marketing situation

Mr. Ma, Chairman of the Marketing Commission spoke about the major points the Commission intended to deal with. A preliminary composition of the Marketing Commission was discussed, to be finalized later.

9. Update on 2014 YOG (16-28 August) – Nanjing, CHN

Mr. Ádámfi, Event Delegate reported on the Test event (Asian Youth Games) successfully completed; the Qualification status and the final results of the Main Qualification Event, i.e. 2013 YWC, Tashkent.

The approval of the 2014 Continental Qualification Events was in progress.

14. Appointment of Technical Delegates for Rio 2016 Olympic Games

The President's proposal for Mr. Sam Coffa and Mr. Attila Ádámfi was unanimously accepted.

15. Qualification System for the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympic Games

Mr. Ádámfi informed the Board that the IOC set the deadline for 15 October 2013 which was extended for the IWF in view of the Executive Board meeting and its approval. The Draft was elaborated based on the Principles/Guidelines received from the IOC, including the same basic data, same quota and the same allocation between men and women as for 2012 London.

The IWF proposal for the Qualification System for the 2016 Rio Olympic Games was unanimously accepted, subject to coordination with the IOC.

17. Preparation of IWF Congress

A Verification Commission of Messrs Ong Poh Eng, Nicu Vlad, David Montero was appointed.

18. Any other business

18.1 Various contributions to Executive Board

A position statement was accepted regarding the annual contributions; i.e. that the whole of the annual USD 15,000 for 1st VP and the Committee Chairs, as well as the USD 5,000 for EB Members would be paid for 2013.

10. Reports of the Continental Federation Presidents

10.1 WFA by President Mr. Khaled Mhalhel

10.2 EWF - by President Mr. Urso

10.3 OWF - by Mr. Stephen

10.4 AWF - In the absence of the AWF President, a written report submitted earlier was looked at.

10.5 PAWF - In the absence of PAWF President, no report was discussed.

4. Appointment of Commission Members

Dr. Aján submitted proposals which were discussed and approved as follows:

1. Athlete Commission - Chairman: Pyrros Dimas (GRE)

Members:

Mr. Tom Goegebuer (BEL)

Ms. Jang Mi-Ran (KOR)

Mr. Dmitry Klovok (RUS)

Ms. Liu Chunhong (CHN)

2. Development and Education Commission - Chairman: José Quinones (PER)

Members:

Mr. Avenaash Pandoo (RSA)

Mr. Tom Liaw (SIN)

Mr. Isgandar Asgarov (AZE)

Mr. Enrique Montero (BRA)

Ms. Jean Lassen (CAN)

Mr. Baasankhuu Gansukh (MGL)

3. Ethics Commission - Vice Chair: Mr. Birendra Prasad (IND) - In accordance with the IWF Constitution, Chairman must be from outside weightlifting/IWF. Members to be appointed later.

4. Membership Commission - Chairman Mr. Mohamed Jaloud (IRQ)

Members:

Mr. Jorge Espana (BOL)

Mr. Pius Ochieng (KEN)

Mr. Karl Rimböck (GER)

Mr. Ali Alali (KSA)

Mr. Horst Sayler (SWZ)

Dr. Mustafa Mahdi (IRQ)

5. **Disciplinary Commission** - Chairman: Mr. Alexander Gerasimenko (RUS)
Members:
Dr. Ibrahim Harb (JOR)
Mr. Pavel Mutafov (SVK)
Mr. Sengupta (NEP)
Mr. Sheikh Sultan bin Mejren (UAE)
Ms. Anna Antseliovich (RUS)
Dr. Tamás Aján (HUN) ex officio

6. **Financial Commission** - Chairman: Mr. Dato Ong Poh Eng (MAS)
Members:
Dr. Tamás Aján (HUN)
Mr. Ma Wenguang (CHN)
Mr. Nicu Vlad (ROU)
Mr. Alain Siegrist (SUI)

7. **Marketing Commission** - Chairman: Mr. Ma Wenguang (CHN)
Members:
Mr. Dato Ong Poh Eng (MAS)
Mr. Intarat Yodbangtoey (THA)
Mr. Alexander Gerasimenko (RUS)
Mr. Andrey Rybak (RUS)
Mr. Kairat Turlykhanov (KAZ)
Mr. Ismail Ismailov (AZE)
Mr. Szymon Kolecki (POL)
Mr. José Quinones (PER)

8. **Women's Commission** - Chair: Ms. Moira Lassen (CAN)
Members:
Ms. Karoliina Lundahl (FIN)
Ms. Jenn Heil (CAN)
Ms. Robin Byrd-Goad (USA)
Ms. Celsa Alvarez (ESP)
Ms. Pawina Thongsuk (THA)
Ms. Gardencia Du Plooy (RSA)
Ms. Oxana Solonenko (RUS)

6. Development and Education Program

DEC Chairman Mr. José Quinones gave a presentation regarding the **Seminars** pointing out the potentials in co-operation with Olympic Solidarity regarding the budget.

Documents were distributed in the folders. **DEC Coordinator Ms. Éva Moska** presented the **CF Contribution Guidelines for 2014 and the IWF Development Program Guidelines** and asked that as soon as the Chairman circulates the Program the package should be approved immediately so that the program can start still in 2013.

Comments praised the Program and stressed the necessity for Continental Federations to adhere to the conditions.

The IWF Development Program Guidelines for 2014, as well as the Continental Federations Contribution Guidelines for 2014 were unanimously approved. The CF Contribu-

tion Guidelines including the obligation of holding an Anti-Doping Seminar during their respective Continental YOG Qualification Event.

Ms. Moska called attention to the IWF Education Seminars and asked the EB to raise participation.

8. Reports regarding Anti-Doping

8.1 Report of the Anti-Doping Commission

Mr. P. Schamasch introduced the Commission's, mission, tasks, program, Members:

Dr. Zakia Bartagi (TUN)

Dr. Michael Petrou (CYP)

The first unofficial meeting of the ADC would take place at the WADA World Conference on Doping in Sport (Nov.2013).

Program included an IWF Anti-Doping Conference in 2014; a motion that a part of the fine paid for multiple doping cases must be reinvested in anti-doping education under ADC control; the introduction of the steroid passport.

8.2 Statistics of 2013 controls

Dr. Ungár reported on 1,856 tests made in 2013 up to the World Championships, of which 764 women – 1,092 men – and out-of-competition tests almost equalling the number of in-competition tests. 69 positives with 65% in-competition.

The Report and the proposal by ADC were unanimously accepted.

8.3 President's proposal to modify the ADP – 12.3.1.1

The President proposed that all fines should be paid within 6 months and no competition participation until fine is paid in full.

Dr. Ungár pointed out that for the 2016 Olympic Games a special Anti-Doping Rule for the qualification system was approved (in the attachment) allowing the EB to withdraw quota in the case of multiple positives in one MF.

It was also pointed out that countries notorious in producing positive cases must be talked to and caution must be exercised in hiring foreign coaches.

It was stated that elected officers were not to be included as they are subject to the IWF Constitution.

Following the finalization of the amendments the modification of the Anti-Doping Policy 12.3.1 was unanimously approved.

8.4 Position statement regarding all MFs having outstanding fines before 2013

The deadline to settle the outstanding fines was set: 31 December 2013. MFs with more than 3 positives: the 6-month rule applies, counting from the date of the official notification.

Special attention was to be paid to KAZ fine due to them being hosts of the 2013 WWC.

8.5 Case of MDA athlete

Dr. Ungár presented the conflicting case of Igor Bour/Lazari. An athlete of Moldova previously sanctioned for doping (in 2004) failed to announce his name change (2005) to the IWF and was found positive again in 2008 when he received a 4-year ban (instead of the life ban he should have received). The case was discovered by the NOC of Moldova. The MDA MF should be sanctioned for omitting its obligation to inform the IWF of the name change.

It was resolved that the matter should be referred to the Disciplinary Commission which should discuss it before 15th December 2013.

Proposed sanction on the Federation of Moldova:

A) Ban the officials of the Federation from any activities for a 1 year period

or

B) Suspend the Federation of Moldova from participating in any activities for a 1 year period.

Dr. Trombitás counselled that nationality changes and name changes are subject to information to IWF and in a presentation reminded of the relevant rules and procedures to follow.

8.6 ADAMS

Dr. Trombitás reported on progress with the whereabouts submission through **ADAMS**. Thanks to the IWF's special efforts about 90% MFs complied with this obligation regarding the World Championships.

13. Financial Reports

Presented by **IWF Financial Advisor Mr. Alain Siegrist**.

The 2014 Budget was unanimously accepted.

The IWF Long Term strategy and measures were unanimously accepted.

18. Any other business

18.2 A Press Release must be issued on the independent Anti-Doping Commission and the amendment of the ADP

18.3 The EB accepted the President's proposal to award **Mr. Chang Chao-Kuo** the title of **Honorary Life Vice President**

18.4 Ms. Rozgonyi presented a progress report on the approved **Sports Documentary** and two one-minute spots were shown

*Report by A.Németh-Móra
November 2013*