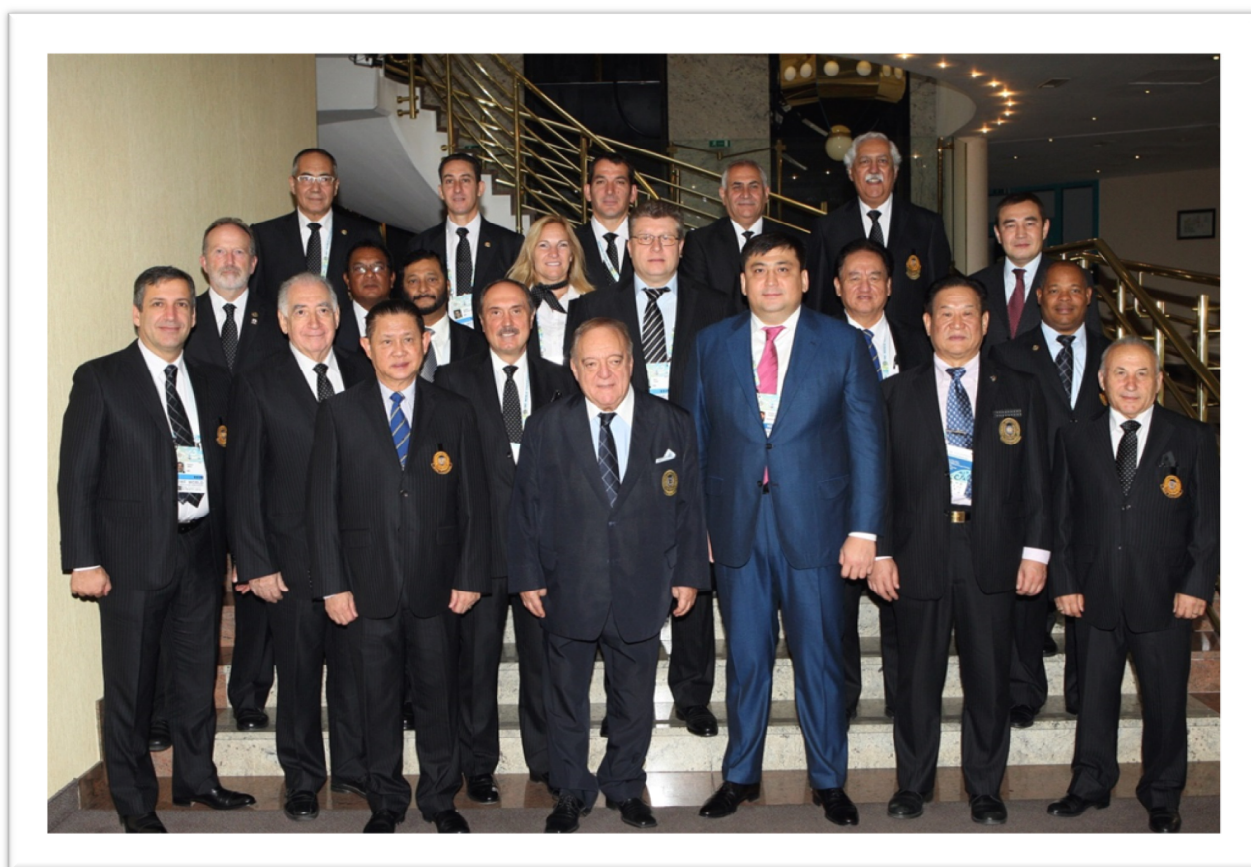


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INTERNATIONAL
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REPORT
OF EXECUTIVE
BOARD MEETING
5-6.11.2014
ALMATY



Venue: Rahat Palace Hotel, Almaty, Kazakhstan

Present: Dr. Tamás Aján, President
Mr. Ma Wenguang, General Secretary, Mr. Nicu Vlad, 1st Vice President
Mr. Sam Coffa, Mr. Alexander Gerasimenko, Mr. Ong Poh Eng, Maj.Gen. Intarat Yodbangtoey, 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
Mr. Khaled Mhalhel, Mr. William Ozuna, H.E. Marcus Stephen, Dr. Antonio Urso, Continental Presidents

Absent: Mr. José Quinones, Mr. Mohamed Y. Al Mana

1. Opening

President Dr. Aján greeted the Board and opened the meeting.

2. Welcome address by the hosts

Mr. Zhanat Tussupbekov, President WFRK, accompanied by **Mr. Omar Mustafin, CEO**, delivered his welcome speech. He gave an introduction of Kazakh weightlifting's history and its present situation.

3. Summary by the President

The President read his Summary of events since last meeting.

Mr. Gerasimenko reported on the Russian President's Cup.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the Kazan meeting

Unanimously approved.

5. Reports of Committee Chairmen on the meetings

5.1 Technical Committee – Mr. Sam Coffa

Chairman Mr. Coffa reported on the Joint Committees' meeting. Subjects covered:

- Experiences of WCWG's proposal on Qualification Entries – implementation in future even more aggressively;
- TO Guidebook 2nd edition – draft ready, now out for comments by 3 Committees, till end of November
- age limit rule
- TO refreshment courses: necessary
- restructure the Calendar
- Fees and Rules at World Championships (info page distributed)
- Sonny Kasiran's apologies accepted – reinstated as a Member of the TC
- barbell specifications
- TO pocket money: suggested USD 30 per competition day

- TO uniform: go back to dark blue uniform + white shirt, with Tie and badge from IWF.
- International courses all over the world, with regard to substantial support to CFs, IWF must oblige each CF to have min. 1 course, with IWF appointing the presenters.
- other subjects – see TC Report
- video playback of attempts – supported
- electronic change of call – 2015 YWC simulation exercise

TC proposing amendments to TCRR (introduced since).

The President commented on some items and votes were taken:

- ***TO pocket money – concept unanimously approved***
- ***Calendar – unanimously supported***
- ***video playback - concept unanimously approved***
- ***TCRR modifications – unanimously approved.***

Comments were offered regarding the number of medals issued at various Multisport Games and the application of the video playback of the attempts.

TC report was unanimously accepted.

5.2 Coaching & Research Committee – Maj. Gen. Intarat Yodbangtoey

In absence of Chairman, **Mr. Jones** to chair meeting.

Subjects covered:

- **Mr. Lyn Jones & Mr. Kyle Pierce** reported on their visit to China.
- IWF Course Presenters' Workshop
- **Mr. Nippon Limboonsuebsai** reported on progress with Electronic Media: IWF Club Coach Level III Manual – to be made available in different electronic platforms (2015 January) – Movie Store, Bookstore – to be completed with Level 2 and Level 1 Manuals.

Mr. Jaloud: Congratulations were offered on the IWF Club Coach Level III Manual.

Ms. Lassen called for wider consultation by CRC and offered inputs on behalf of the Women's Commission.

Ms. Moska offered technical details on Coaching Manual (in Draft form) and said that printing would follow the new IWF publication image and standards about to be approved.

CRC report was unanimously accepted.

5.3 Medical Committee – Dr. Michael Irani

Chairman Dr. Irani gave a report of the MC meeting in a presentation. Topics covered, i.a.:

- Research projects to be further elaborated
- Preparations for Houston 2015
- Weightlifting specific injuries
- TCRR proposals to be discussed with the TC; i.e. to enable the DOD to stop the clock in case it is necessary due to an injury
- nutritional supplements
- Injury Reports to be properly filled in in each international event; a Medical Manual and 'No needle Policy' to be implemented in 2015
- Athletes age limit

He thanked **Dr. Magdolna Trombitás** for her contributions.

MC report was unanimously accepted.

By proposal of the President, Dr. Dominik Dörr was appointed as Liaison between the Medical Committee and the Anti-Doping Commission.

9. Anti-Doping

9.1 ADC Report – Chairman Dr. Patrick Schamasch – Presentation

9.2-9.4, 9.5 ADC report continued with presentation by **Dr. Trombitás** on the current statistical data and further information on the positive cases and hearings.

Referring to the case with DPR Korea, **Dr. Aján** suggested the EB should confirm: ***Any MF not making it possible to be controlled OOC should not be allowed to compete.***

EB unanimously supported.

In the following, the EB approved the Protocol on public disclosure effective as of now. (published since)

More details were offered regarding the supply of “**intelligence**” and the **Entourage info submission** together with the Final Entry, including coach (who is responsible for the Athlete on behalf of the Federation), doctor, therapists, possibly club coach. The exact procedure to be further elaborated. It was understood that this administrative information will facilitate the investigation in the doping cases, however, the sanctions will be based on individual adjudication after a careful review of each case.

Effective as of 1 January 2015.

9.2 – 9.5 Outstanding anti-doping fines

The status of doping fines payments was checked.

9.6 Approval of the new IWF Anti-Doping Policy

IWF ADP updated to bring it in line with new WADA Code. WADA confirmed full compliance of the IWF ADP with the new WADA Code.

EB approved the IWF ADP effective as of 1 January 2015.

15. IWF Logo branding

The IWF new logo had been approved at last meeting. Branding Manual, Guidelines of application will be published. Congress to approve Constitution change next day.

16. IWF Masters

Ms. Anikó Németh-Móra made presentation regarding the IWF Masters.

Dr. Masmoudi Fathi was unanimously approved as Liaison of the Master Committee on behalf of IWF. Ms. Németh-Móra and Dr. Trombitás to be involved from IWF Secretariat.

Proposal regarding Masters approved.

15.2 Report of the Marketing Commission Chairman

Mr. Ma gave a Commission's report and thanked for all contributions.

Ms. Rozgonyi introduced potential partner Marketing companies (Infront Sports & Media, Lagardere Group, IMG, MP & Silva, Dentsu Inc.). A cooperation contract is in the making but only after careful consideration.

The Marketing Commission Chairman's report was unanimously accepted.

7.1 Report on the 2014 Commonwealth Games

Mr. Coffa, a Member of the CGF Board, praised the Glasgow Commonwealth Games; **Dr. Aján** and **Mr. Ádámfi** seconded.

7.3 2014 Asian Games

The 2014 edition of the Asian Games, held in Korea, was generally evaluated as very successful by **Mr. Jaloud, Dr. Aján, Mr. Ádámfi**.

7.2 2nd YOG – Nanjing

IWF Event Delegate Mr. Ádámfi reported on great success and congratulated the Chinese organisers. Certain issues/problems identified will be brought to the IOC Debrief meeting in Lausanne.

6. CF Reports

- 6.1 **AWF** – In absence of the AWF President, Vice President **Maj.Gen. Yodbangtoey** indicated that elections would take place on 6th January 2015.
- 6.2 **EWF** – **President Urso** reported on the European events.
- 6.3 **PAWF** – **President Ozuna** submitted detailed report, budget, including justification of spending of the IWF CF contribution.
- 6.4 **WFA** – **President Mhalhel** reported on the African events.
- 6.5 **OWF** – **President Stephen** thanked the IWF for the support and gave a detailed report on the successful OWF programs and projects.

11. Membership issues

Dr. Trombitás and **Chairman Jaloud** informed the EB giving a summary of the meeting. Recommendations were made. The French delegation would be granted the opportunity to appear at the meeting.

11.1 Exemption Requests from the obligation to separate the Federations:

A General Rule was confirmed that Combined Federations must get separated and establish an individual Weightlifting Federation, whereby non compliance would lead to temporary suspension.

Cases and requests for exemption had been studied by the Commission one by one and the MC made recommendations.

Mr. Marc Andrieux, President FFHMFAC and **Ms. Alexandra Vigoureux, Director** presented their arguments for exemption from the obligation imposed by the Constitution.

The EB submitted the request under very careful consideration and comments were offered.

The EB took the following decisions:

- a. Executive Board decided to oblige the **Royal Belgian Weightlifting Federation** to separate weightlifting from the other sports by establishing a new Federation until 4th April 2015.
- b. Executive Board decided to oblige the **Krachtsport NL (Netherlands Strength and Conditioning Association)** to separate weightlifting from the other sports by establishing a new Federation until 4th April 2015.
- c. Executive Board decided to grant an exemption to the **Weightlifting Federation of San Marino** and allow the combination with other Olympic Sports (Wrestling, Judo).
- d. Executive Board decided to oblige the **FFHMFAC** to separate weightlifting from the other sports by establishing a new Federation until 31st December 2015.
- e. Executive Board decided to elaborate **a procedure** for the **non-active Member Federations** which are combined with other sports, but failing to give information to the IWF. Circular to be sent asking for information until the end of the year.
- f. **Bahamas** – currently temporarily suspended – They shall participate in an international competition to prove their activity while fulfilling the other requirements.

11.2 Monitoring of MF activity level

Chairman Jaloud proposed to make a classification of MFs. System and criteria to be elaborated by the next EB meeting in Lima.

8. IWF Development Program

EB was informed that **DEC Chairman Mr. Quinones** had just been elected to the important position of Executive Board Member of ANOC. Congratulations were offered.

Ms. Moska submitted an update of the Development Program, including status report on 2014. The Principles, conditions and a timeline for the 2015 projects was presented for approval.

The update as well as the Conditions and Timeline were unanimously accepted.

14. Finances

Financial Director Mr. Siegrist reported.

14.1 Financial Report – Status, update of 2014 Budget

14.2 Budget 2015

The status report on the 2014 Budget and the Budget for 2015 were unanimously approved.

12. Report by the Sport Program Review Commission

Mr. Ádámfi mentioned that SportAccord had approached the IWF to include weightlifting into the Combat Games, that believed to be an additional opportunity to showcase our sport at no cost to us. Further updates will follow.

17. Rio 2016 update

Mr. Ádámfi supplied update information based on the first TD visit.

18. Preparation of IWF Congress

Mr. Dimas, Mr. Montero, Mr. Jaloud were appointed to the verification commission for the Congress.

16. Allocation of future World Championships

16.1 2017 YWC and 16.2 2017 JWC – *decisions deferred for next meeting*

16.3 2017 WWC – Bid from MAS – VP Ong with Malaysia Federation and Penang State of Malaysia representatives presented the application.

EB unanimously allocated the 2017 IWF World Championships to Penang, Malaysia.

19.2 Report of the Women's Commission

WC Chair Ms. Lassen reported on the activities.

19.3 Weightlifting Hall of Fame

Dr. Aján explained that the *Hall of Fame* would undergo a refreshment and proposed to appoint **Ms. Németh-Móra** as **Chair**. The proposal was accepted.

19.4 Disciplinary Commission's action

The EB received an update on ongoing DC issues.

19.5 Barbell supplier for 2016 Rio Olympic Games

President Aján informed the Board that following negotiations with all the 5 licenced barbell manufacturers and evaluating their offers, together with the 2 TDs he chose the ***Zhangkong Co. as sole supplier of the 2016 Olympic Games.***

19.6 2015 IWF WWC room rates

Houston 2015 requested the approval of increased room rates which the EB acknowledged.

The President thanked everyone for the active participation, for the good atmosphere, the excellent presentations, the thorough preparation by the Secretariat, and closed the meeting.

Report by A.Németh-Móra