



WBSC EUROPE MEETING
Online Video Conference, May 4, 2020
Minutes

Attendance

Didier Seminet Co President; ("DS")
Kruno Karin Secretary General ; ("KK")
Petr Ditrich Vice President; ("PD")
Kristian Palvia, Vice President ;("KP")
Roderick Balk Vice President; ("RB")
Legal Counsel; Lars Sundin; ("LS") Ami Baran, ;("AB")
Francois Collet; ("FC"), Kristina Uroic; ("KU")

Gabriel Waage, Co President; ("GW")
Eddy Van Straelen, Treasurer; ("EvS")
Youri Alkalay, Vice President;("YA")
Mette N Jakobsen Vice President ;("MJ")
Marco Mannucci, Vice President ;("MM"),

Guests: WBSC Executive Director Michael Schmidt;("MS")

1. Welcome , quorum and opening by Co Presidents:

• Current situation with events in the Divisions

Each person gave a short description of what is happening in their specific countries as to possible start dates for their national competitions.

SWE – moved to June 21st, new decision about possible further postponement one month in advance. No more than 50 people allowed in a location, youth sports allowed to practice and play locally.

DEN – Training outdoors, no start date for League play.

NED – U12 training, 12-18 train in groups of 10 and adults possibly May 13 with hopeful start of Leagues in June.

ITA – still in lockdown. Training only alone. Start is on June 14 League play.

BEL – 3rd of May complete lockdown. Big events only after September 1.

FRA – Lockdown until May 11 from now. Looking at August possibly training in group's of 10, and maybe September League play.

ISR – training in groups of 10, possible start of League play July 1.

CZE – training in groups of 10, on May 11 can play Leagues with events of 100 people.

CRO – Practive in froups, and looking good for May 30 League play.

BUL – Practicing and ready for League play in June.

ESP – nothing scheduled until now, still lockdown.

MS – Update and general information of the issues in the WBSC

- Working on general outline of Health Regulations of what can and should be done at events.
- Working on moving forward with Online seminars, courses and could be used also for the future.



Co-ordination of future steps

Softball Europe: Cancelled all their Championships except the U15 for now but will be after September 1 if at all. Waiting for information from the KNBSB.

No Qualifiers for this year, so the decision was not so difficult.

Baseball Europe: Cancelled all Cups and have postponements for a few Championships which are qualifiers. U18 and Seniors B-Pool moved to the end of September/October. U15 and U23 Qualifiers there is no decision yet.

DS – we need common position of both Divisions to face this situation.

For example; if a country cannot make it to a qualifier we need in order to preserve fairness a decision to cancel the event.

Will there be any consideration as to finances that country cannot come because of lack of finances.

Another example: BB5 situation and the qualifier for the U18 WC in Mexico.

Discussion on the options and what needs to be decided.

MS – suggests to take time to make final decisions as the situation keeps changing all over the world.

Unanimous Decision:

No International Competitions until September 1, 2020 with cut-off deadline is June 30, 2020.

2. Minutes approval

- WBSC Europe Minutes in Vilnius
Approved Unanimous
- WBSC Europe Congress Minutes
Approved Unanimous



3. WBSC Europe Projects

Baseball5 (YA)

- BB5 in Vilnius: Outcome and Financial
YA reviewed the financials using Excel Budget.
There is an issue about the agreement between the WBSC and the WBSC Europe about financing the travel, accommodations and food of the officials.
6,800 Euros in debt and DS will be discussing with Angelo Vicini for a solution.

Action Item: YA. To discuss with WBSC the deficit issue.

- BB5 U18 – qualifier for WC 2020 (YA)
BB5 Qualifier set for October.

4. WBSC Europe Office (GW)

- RH has mentioned that May 15 could be the date for the opening of the office.

5. WBSC Europe Website (GW)

- We shall have the platform on the WBSC Website and we are working with them on this.

6. AOB

- GW;
 1. Advisory Group on Eligibility of players is moving forward with Petra Arends chairing the group.
 2. Super 6 set for 2022
 3. 50 K from WBSC

Next meeting: it will be decided at a later date.
