

WBSC EUROPE MEETING Online Video Conference, August 13, 2021 Minutes

Attendance

Gabriel Waage, Co President; ("GW") Marco Mannucci, Vice President; ("MM"), Kruno Karin Secretary General; ("KK") Petr Ditrich Vice President; ("PD") Kristian Palvia, Vice President; ("KP") Youri Alkalay, Vice President; ("YA")

WBSC CEO Michael Schmidt,;("MS")

Legal Counsel; Ami Baran, ;("AB"), Lars Sundin ,;("LS") Guest: Petra Arends,; ("PA")

Apologies: Didier Seminet Co President; ("DS") Mette N Jakobsen Vice President; ("MJ") Eddy Van Straelen, Treasurer; ("EvS") Roderick Balk Vice President; ("RB")

1. Welcome, quorum and opening by Co President GW:

• Extra Ordinary Congress ("EOC"), Congress and Statutes

GW: welcome everyone.

- Discussions with FIBS and KNBSB Presidents on the situation of the structure an statutes of WBSC Europe.
- Agreed on certain issues and we need here to decide about calling for an EOC in November in order to change the Statutes

<u>Input</u> (not in order of comments presented): **KK**:

- What do we do with the CEB and ESF Congresses? We need to handle them too. There is much more to work on.
- We need to look into the legal issue if we can do it this way (EOC and then immediately the Election Congress)
- Possibly trying to have in September the EOC at the Baseball European Championships

KP:

- Can we do the November EOC digitally based on what MS mentioned in Swiss Law or the law which we are obliged to follow.
- Might be burdensome for some countries to come to both the EOC and the Congress
- Agrees with comments that PA wrote in the chat about needing time to prepare all this.



PD:

• We should have the Congress in November as we have not met already for a long time and there are many issues to deal with.

MM:

 Agrees with the idea of having the EOC and then in February the Elective Congress.

YA:

• Acknowledges that the countries will not be able or just will not attend the November EOC and that they will come only to one.

MS:

 Does recommend to do it in two stages and also to check the possibilities under the law that governs us if the digital EOC is possible.

GW- **Proposal**:

 Hold Extraordinary Congress on November 19-21 on Rome. (Legal Counsel will check possibility of Digital EOC)

Approved Unanimous 6-0-0

2. ESF and CEB will hold prior to the EOC their own respective quorum meeting to decide on the dissolution of the entities.

Approved Unanimous 6-0-0

3. Postpone the 2021 Elective Congress of November 2021 to February 2022, exact date to be announced.

Approved Unanimous 6-0-0

<u> Action Items:</u>

- KK and AB will start the process of preparing the documents for the EOC and postponement of the Elective Congress until February 2022
- LS and AB will prepare the draft in the Statutes with the changes suggested for approval of the WBSC Europe EB and WBSC.
- GW will meet with MS in Lausanne

7. <u>AOB</u>

Next meeting: We will check to see if it is possible to meet during the next CEB meeting in September