

# **FIB Executive Committee Meeting**

## 25 March 2024 Online

# **MINUTES**

#### 1. **Opening of the Meeting Stein Pedersen** opened the meeting and welcomed the members.

### 2. Roll Call

EC members present:	
Stein Pedersen	President
Arne Anderstedt	Vice President
Antti Parviainen	Vice President
Evgeniy Epifanov	Vice President
Attila Adamfi	Vice President & A. General Secretary
Apologies:	
Per-Anders Gustafsson	First Vice President
Magnus Sköld	Vice President
Zhu Zhiquiang	Vice President
Also present:	
Reka Foldesi	Operations Manager

(5) EC members present, the quorum was formed.

#### **3.** Financial Report

Attila Adamfi forwarded the financial report to the members before the meeting. The document sent is still for information purposes only due outstanding and pending questions on the bookkeeping side. He ensured the EC that he will follow up on every outstanding question and EC will be informed as soon as the final document is ready to be signed.

### 4. FIB Congress 2024 / Elections

**Stein Pedersen** informed the members that Attila Adamfi sent letter to MAs whether someone would be open to host the Congress and Election this year, but no answer was received with any offer. This means that FIB will host and organize the event.

After careful consideration the following is proposed for approval:

**Date:** 7th June 2024 – Executive Committee Meeting, 8th June 2024 – FIB Congress and Election

Place: Stockholm, Sweden - close to Arlanda Airport

Attila Adamfi mentioned to the EC that hotels have been already contacted for quotations to find the best option for the event.

**Stein Pedersen** added that the Congress will be held both online and in person however voting is only possible for the in-person participant. This information has been verified by the FIB legal representative.

Antti Parviainen asked who the members of the Election Committee are. Stein Pedersen informed the EC that the members of Election Committee are the same people as for the previous Election. Attila Adamfi added that the nomination and election procedure will be ready soon and the EC will receive it.

**Stein Pedersen** asked whether the suspended MAs could speak and attend the Congress and Election. **Attila Adamfi** confirmed that they cannot vote but the lawyers will be consulted on whether they can speak during the Congress.

The following financial conditions are proposed for EC approval:

FIB shall cover:

- EC meeting and Congress room
- For EC members: Flights & max. 2 nights' accommodation and meals (according to FIB Travel Policy)
- For Congress Delegates: dinner on 7 June 2024 and lunch on 8 June 2024

Congress delegates shall cover:

• Flights & accommodation, additional meals

# The EC has unanimously approved the date, place and financial conditions of the 2024 FIB Congress and Election.

#### 5. 2025 FIB World Championships

**Stein Pedersen** informed the members that he and **Attila Adamfi** had a meeting with SBF. The proposals of SBF were sent to the EC before the EC meeting. The offer includes 2 events, the Men World Championships (A and B group) and the Women World Championships. Also important to refer to our former decision on the sanction fee (10.000 plus 10.000 USD).

Attila Adamfi added that it is unfortunate that currently only one MA is ready and able to organize a World Championships and therefore FIBs position is not that strong. Proposals are based on the fact that SBF had a loss while the local club made a profit from the 2023 FIB World Championships. FIB proposed at the meeting to consider profit share on the top of the sanction fee minimising the financial risk for SBF. **Stein Pedersen** included that the percentage of the profit share could also be negotiated with SBF.

**Evgeniy Epifanov** asked whether accommodation is included in the offer and will SBF cover those costs. **Attila Adamfi** answered that the offer is based on the conditions from last year, i.e. accommodation and meals shall be covered by the participating teams.

**Stein Pedersen** and **Attila Adamfi** ensured the members that the meeting between FIB and SBF was a fruitful one and SBF understand that this event is the most important revenue source of FIB. **Attila Adamfi** added that SBF established an event management company to ensure that

the event is successful, and they will work together on important areas such as sponsorship and broadcast of the 2025 FIB World Championships.

Based on the offers received and the discussion, best option for FIB would be the combination of the options as follows:

- Sanction Fee is 10.000 USD for Men World Championships and 10.000 USD for the Women World Championships, i.e. 20.000 USD for a combined World Championships

- Compensation of 200.000 SEK for the rights (Marketing/Advertising, Tickets sales, Merchandising, etc.)

- FIB shall provide up to 200.000 SEK contribution to organise the Men's B Group World Championships

- in case SBF achieves 1.000.000 SEK in total profit, FIB shall receive 10% of the total profit.

#### The EC unanimously approved the above proposal.

EC agreed to call the B group World Championships 'Challenger World Championships' for domestic communication.

#### 6. FIB Hall of Fame

Attila Adamfi asked the members approval to establish the FIB Hall of Fame. He mentioned that most of the sports and some Member Associations already have a Hall of Fame system in place where athletes, coaches, officials and individuals are awarded. Details and guidelines will be presented soon to the EC.

#### EC unanimously approved to establish the FIB Hall of Fame.

#### 7. Any other business

#### 2025 FIB World Championships Boys Y17 & Y19

**Attila Adamfi** informed the members that Sweden applied to organize both the Boys 17 and Boys 19 age groups' FIB World Championships in 2025. Naturally the same sanctions fee shall be applied as it was decided for the 2024 edition of FIB World Championships, which were held in Finland and Norway.

**Stein Pedersen** mentioned that he agrees to give the hosting right Sweden, however in the future FIB should work on including other organizers.

# EC unanimously approved Sweden as the organizer of the 2025 FIB World Championships (Boys 17 & Boys 19).

#### **Disciplinary Committee**

Attila Adamfi informed the members, that he has met the Chair of the Disciplinary Committee and discussed the appointment of the third member to the Committee. There is already a case however the Committee will need a third member before it can become operational.

The proposed third member is dr. Magdolna Trombitas from Hungary.

## EC unanimously appoints the 3<sup>rd</sup> member of the FIB Disciplinary Committee.

#### **IOC Correspondence**

Attila Adamfi informed the EC that a letter was received from IOC regarding the Russian and Belarussian athlete participation in FIB activities. In his answer, he informed IOC that athletes of those nationalities are currently not invited for FIB events, as per IOC recommendations. FIB asked IOC whether it could receive financial compensation for the negative consequences (membership fee, sanction fee, TV/marketing) of the application of IOC's recommendation. In their response they confirmed that it is not possible, however they understand the negative effects the IOC recommendation has on the sport.

**Antti Parviainen** questioned whether project funding will be available at IOC level in the future. **Attila Adamfi** concluded that at IOC level there are no project funding, however he will discuss this point at the ARISF meeting in 2 weeks.

#### **10.** Closing of the meeting

**Stein Pedersen** thanked the active participation; he informed the members that they will send the decision to SBF regarding the 2025 FIB World Championships and closed the meeting.

Stein Pedersen President

Attila Adamfi Acting General Secretary