

FIB Executive Committee Meeting

24 June 2024 Online

MINUTES

1. Opening of the Meeting

Henrik Nilsson opened the meeting and welcomed the members of the Executive Committee.

2. Roll Call

EC members present:

Henrik Nilsson President

Stein Pedersen First Vice President Antti Parviainen Vice President

Attila Adamfi Vice President & General Secretary
Mikhail Entaltsev Executive Committee Member
Wu Dawei Executive Committee Member
Andrew Knutson Executive Committee Member

Apologies:

Chanel Gilomen Executive Committee Member

Also present:

Reka Foldesi Operations Manager

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

3. Update since the Congress

Attila Adamfi gave an update to the members on all important matters related to FIB operations.

He informed the EC that the end of the financial year (30th June) is approaching, together with the bookkeepers they are trying to close all outstanding matters. As expected, the only major outstanding receivables are the historic membership fees which are around 40.000 USD. He added that every MAs paid the membership fee this past season (not including the suspended nations) except: ARM, CAN GER KAZ. He is in contact with all 4 MAs regarding payment. The outstanding membership fee from the past season is less than 5.000 USD.

Furthermore, the newly elected FIB Athletes Committee will hold its first meeting on 30th June, where they will elect the Chair of the Committee who will become a full member of the FIB Executive Committee.

FIB took part in this year's Olympic Day campaign. With **Dr Dániel Bata**, FIB Athletes Committee member they attended the IOC's Olympic Qualifier Series in Budapest and they took photos promoting bandy, which photos were then posted on the FIB social media channels.

4. 2025 FIB World Championships

Stein Pedersen updated the EC members of the status of the discussion with the Swedish Bandy Federation. They had a meeting with them on 18th June, where SBF was quite clear if they have both Men (A and B Group) and Women World Championships, then the Men B Group has to be organized in January. In addition, they stated that they will only organize the World Championships if they have the Men A Group and the Women hosting right as well. When asked about the inclusion of a Club to host the Men B Group World Championships in March, SBF confirmed that they would be good with that option as well.

Stein Pedersen concluded that FIB has two options:

- SBF is the host of the Men B Group World Championships → event held in January 2025
- FIB organizes the Men B Group World Championships with the inclusion of a Club → event could be held in March 2025

He informed the members that they will have another meeting with SBF during the week.

Attila Adamfi added that from the first meeting it was quite clear that there are 3 different events, and the January date was never accepted and agreed on for the Men B Group.

He highlighted that there are 3 interests from Clubs to host the Men B Group, however some of them also applied to host the Youth World Championships, and they are still waiting for the decision from SBF whether they will organize that event as that would be their preference.

Or 4^{th} option is the original plan organized by SBF \rightarrow in January.

Henrik Nilsson asked whether there is any economic risk for FIB if hosting the event on their own. **Attila Adamfi** answered that of course there will be costs, but with the involvement of a Club these costs would be managed. He added that there should be a risk assessment made so FIB could decide on the best option.

Andrew Knutson asked regarding when the deadline is to decide on the date of the event and the host. **Attila Adamfi** said that they will discuss this with SBF at the next meeting.

FIB EC has unanimously agreed on that:

- the Men A Group and the Women World Championships shall be held together as discussed with the SBF,
- the priority is to have the B Group World Championships organized in March and FIB will search and appoint a Club to host the B Group (while the January/Göteborg option by SBF is still valid),
- regarding the financial conditions, the decision of 25th March EC meeting was reconfirmed: FIB shall receive 20.000 USD sanction fee and 200.000 SEK for marketing rights from SBF,
- the compensation cost (max. 200.000 SEK) for hosting the Men B Group World Championships will be provided to the host,
- All other terms and conditions shall remain the same as for the 2023 FIB World Championships.

5. FIB Committees

5.1. Review of existing Committees

5.2. New Committees (Marketing, Anti-Doping, etc.)

The members agreed to establish the Marketing Committee and send out the nomination requests to the Member Associations, so at the next EC meeting the members could discuss the Committees. Otherwise, this point was postponed for the next EC meeting.

6. Members ideas, priorities

Antti Parviainen suggested to the members, that due to time constraints, everyone should send their ideas to **Attila Adamfi**, so he could summarize them and send them out before the next EC meeting.

The EC unanimously approved the above and postponed this agenda point to the next EC meeting.

7. General Secretary position

The EC unanimously agreed to postpone this agenda point to the next EC meeting.

8. Staylive partnership

Attila Adamfi updated the members on Staylive proposal. Staylive is our contractual partner today already providing the platform for FIB TV, where our historical videos are published. They suggest enhancing our partnership to commercialise our rights, especially webcasting rights.

Since the extension deadline of the existing Agreement is 30th June, **Attila Adamfi** will write to Staylive and ask for a deadline extension.

The EC unanimously agreed to postpone this agenda point to the next EC meeting.

9. Any other business

9.1 BLR letter

The FIB EC unanimously decided to postpone this agenda point to the next meeting.

9.2 Next meeting(s)

The FIB EC agreed to hold their next meeting(s) via Zoom during the summer and to organize an in-person meeting in September 2024. In addition, the next meeting shall be held in the upcoming week(s).

10. Closing of the meeting

Henrik Nilsson thanked the active participation and closed the meeting.

Henrik Nilsson President Attila Adamfi General Secretary