



## FIB Executive Committee Meeting

09 May 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
Magnus Sköld	Vice President
Attila Adamfi	Vice President & A. General Secretary

Apologies:

Per-Anders Gustafsson	First Vice President
Zhu Zhiqiang	Vice President

Also present:

Dawei WU	On behalf of Zhu Zhiqiang
Reka Foldesi	Operations Manager

Six (6) EC members present, the quorum was formed.

#### 3. Financial Report 2022/2023

**Attila Adamfi** forwarded the Financial Report to the members before the meeting (Annex 1). The bookkeeping has confirmed the report, and this version is ready to be signed by the Executive Committee.

**Attila Adamfi** mentioned that the financial status/result of the Federation is not the best. The main reasons are administrative corrections and write downs regarding the former membership fees, applied in this season. This means that the assets have decreased.

Auditor report is being prepared for the Congress and will be presented on 8 June 2024 together with the Financial Report.

## 4. FIB Congress 2024 / Elections

### 4.1 Agenda

The Congress Agenda was sent to the members before the meeting (Annex 2). The agenda shall be approved by the EC and to be sent out today (30 days before the Congress).

**The EC has unanimously approved the Congress Agenda.**

### 4.2 MAs Status

Information of the MAs status was sent to the members before the meeting (Annex 3).

**Attila Adamfi** mentioned that the quorum (50%+1) is needed for the Congress. Therefore, a decision on the status of the MAs is crucial. The MAs in question are the following:

- Afghanistan
- Colombia
- Somalia

Afghanistan, Colombian Association have never paid Membership fee, and Somalian Association confirmed that they are no longer active and are not able to pay the Membership fee.

The proposal is to temporarily suspend the above 3 MAs until the outstanding debt is paid.

**The EC has unanimously approved to temporarily suspend the MAs of Afghanistan, Colombia, and Somalia.**

## 5. 2025 FIB World Championships

**Stein Pedersen and Attila Adamfi** informed the members that right after the last EC meeting on 25 March 2024, they informed the SBF about the FIB EC decision in writing (Annex 4). The following sentence should be highlighted from the mail to SBF (based on the previous discussion and EC decision):

“3) Naturally, as discussed, all other terms and conditions (except the above-mentioned financial ones) of the Agreement shall be the same as for the 2023 FIB World Championships, including exemption from Conditions:

- FIB Conditions for World Championships Men – Article 10.2
- FIB Conditions for World Championships Women – Article 11.2”

On 8 May, they received the draft Agreement from SBF with proposed adjustment highlighted. Much to their surprise, the Agreement included a lot of amendments never discussed and/or agreed, sometimes not even in accordance with the FIB Conditions, mainly pushing costs to FIB and participating Member Associations.

Based on the report from **Stein Pedersen** and **Attila Adamfi**, the EC members proposed and supported to continue the negotiations with SBF in line with the original discussion, and these issues shall be solved as soon as possible.

In addition, the EC would propose to the SBF different options, like to hold the World Championships for Group B together with the A Group (as the Men’s World Championships is ‘one event’), and to hold the Women event in January 2025, or host the B Group right before/after the A Group.

It could also be considered that in case the male and female World Championships is separated, the events could have higher commercial status and value in total.

**Evgeniy Epifanov** highlighted the importance of holding the World Championships for the B Group as well each year, otherwise for those countries there will be no motivation and they might lose interest in bandy.

## **6. FIB Mini World Cup Application**

The SBF has applied to host the FIB World Cup Boys 16 (Mini World Cup) in Sweden (Bollnas) for the seasons 2025/2026 and 2026/2027.

**The EC unanimously approved Sweden as the host of the 2025/26 and 2026/27 FIB World Cup Boys 16 (Mini World Cup).**

## **7. By-Laws, Terms of References**

### **By-Law on Election (Annex 5)**

The document was sent before the meeting, and it was reviewed and approved by the legal counsel as well and was put together in line with the FIB Statutes.

**The EC unanimously approved the By-Law on Elections.**

### **Terms of References – Technical Committee**

**Attila Adamfi** proposed to discuss this item at the next meeting, so the Technical Committee would also have time to review the document.

### **Terms of References – Rules and Referee Committee**

**Attila Adamfi** proposed to discuss this item at the next meeting, so the Rules and Referee Committee would also have time to review the document.

## **8. Committees' Appointment**

**Stein Pedersen** informed the members that EDC and GEC started its work, and they discussed and proposed the Chairs for their Committees, the EC shall approve the proposed personnel:

### **8.1 Chair of EDC, GEC**

Education and Development Committee suggests **Tobias Karlsson (FIN)** as Chair, while the Gender Equity Committee suggest **Idaa Bure (FIN)** as Chair.

**The EC unanimously approved Tobias Karlsson (FIN) as Education and Development Committee Chair and Idaa Bure (FIN) as the Gender Equity Committee Chair.**

### **8.2 Technical Committee**

As Tobias Karlsson was appointed as a member of the Education and Development Committee, the Finnish BF nominated **Andreas Sjöblom** to the Technical Committee to replace Mr Karlsson.

**The EC unanimously approved the appointment of Andreas Sjöblom in the Technical Committee.**

### **8.3 Athletes Committee**

**Attila Adamfi** presented the proposal to create an Athletes' Committee for FIB. In order to ensure Athlete's representation at the EC, FIB included in the Statutes that Athletes shall elect the Athlete Committee (Art. 20.1 and 32.2). Since no World Championships was held this year, Athletes could not elect the Athletes Committee and its Chair. Coordinated with Emma Terho, IOC Athletes commission Chair & Executive Board member, it is suggested to create an interim Athletes Committee (until Athletes will elect the Athletes Committee and its Chair) as follows:

#### **Composition:**

- 5 members, 1 / MA, min.18 years of age
- min. 2 from both gender
- active international level Athlete (or in the previous 4 years)
- no anti-doping sanction
- Chair elected by the members

#### **Timeline:**

- 13 May 2024 – FIB calls nomination from MA, in consultation with their Athletes Committee or Athletes (according to IOC Guidelines)
- 31 May 2024 – MAs sends nominations
- 7 June 2024 – FIB EC approves By-Law on Athletes Committee and appoints the members of the Athletes Committee
- 8 June 2024 – FIB Congress ratifies the Athletes Committee
- 15 July 2024 – FIB Athletes Committee elects its Chair to join the FIB EC

**The EC unanimously approved to create an interim Athletes Committee and the timeline proposed.**

## **9. FIB Statutes Amendments**

**Attila Adamfi** mentioned to the EC that the amendments are mainly corrections, clarifications and the document was forwarded to the members before the meeting (Annex 8).

**In case of Article 18.1, Option 2 was unanimously approved by the EC.**

Article 23.1 k) was added to the Statutes as it was missing from the Statutes before. These amendments will be presented to the Congress for approval.

## **10. Any other business**

### **10.1 FIB operation, transition**

**Attila Adamfi** mentioned that the remaining period after the election until the end of the season and the GS Agreement is too short to ensure the smooth operation, recruit a replacement (in case EC decides so) and conclude the transition, if needed. For this reason, a 3 months extension was suggested to ensure smooth operation after election. Members discussed different options and concluded that the term of Agreement shall be extended by 3 months, plus 1 month transition period in case the EC decides to hire a new General Secretary.

**The EC unanimously approved the above extension.**

## 10.2 IOC Development Fund

**Attila Adamfi** informed the members that FIB applied and received funds from the IOC IF Development Programme Fund (in the amount of 32 000 USD) and it will be used for covering Anti-Doping related costs.

## 10.3 Staylive proposal

**Attila Adamfi** informed the members that Staylive, FIB's current partner in creating a platform for historical footages, suggested a long-term partnership to commercialise FIB's rights, especially webcasting rights (Annex 9.). No decision was needed at the meeting, but the new EC shall look into this long-term possibility. The focus of the proposal is on pages 12 – 17.

## 11. Closing of the meeting

**Stein Pedersen** thanked the active participation and closed the meeting.



Stein Pedersen  
President



Attila Adamfi  
Acting General Secretary