

MINUTES FROM THE FIB RULES & REFEREE COMMITTEE (RRC) MEETING

Date: 11 January 2024

Place: Online

Egil Larsen (NOR) Pär Billsmon (SWE) Kevin Bowen (USA) Petri Kuusela (FIN)

Not present:

Roman Popikov (RUS)

UPDATES:

- TOURNAMENTS FOR THIS SEASON:
- U17 Men in Finland at the end of January in Mikkeli, Finland
 - o With teams from Finland, Sweden & Norway
 - o RRC has nominated 1 supervisor from Finland and 1 supervisor from Sweden plus 6 referees (2 from Norway, 2 from Sweden & 2 from Finland).
 - Referees must be there by Thursday evening. It is possible they will travel with the teams. NOTE: The Finnish team and referees will not arrive until 5:00 PM.
 Norway referees will travel with the team. Some of the Swedish referees will travel by train, others by rental car, possibly arriving on Wednesday.
 - o Petri Kuusela will be the RRC member in the jury for this tournament. He will also attend the team meeting.
 - o There will be a skating test and a written rules test followed by a rules discussion among the referees.
 - The weather may be a factor in Mikkeli with cold temperatures. We should notify the Jury, teams and managers we might be playing 3 x 20 minutes.
 - Supervisors and head referees will have single hotel rooms. The AR's will double up in the rooms.
 - o A major focus point for the tournament will be misconducts.
 - U19 Men in Norway at the end of January. Location TBD

- o U19 teams from Finland, Sweden, Norway
- o RRC has nominated 1 supervisor from Norway and 1 supervisor from Sweden plus 6 referees (2 from Norway, 2 from Sweden & 2 from Finland).
- o Referees must be there by Thursday evening. It is possible they will travel with the teams.
- Egil Larsen will be the RRC member in the jury for this tournament. He will also attend the team meeting.
- o There will be a skating test and a written rules test followed by a rules discussion among the referees.
- The weather may be a factor in Oslo with extra cold temperatures. We should notify the Jury, teams and managers we might be playing 3 x 20 minutes.
- The ice conditions on the rink in Oslo are such that they may need to locate the games to a new rink.
- Supervisors and head referees will have single hotel rooms. The AR's will double up in the rooms.
- o A major focus point for the tournament will be misconducts.

- OTHER ITEMS

- Members of the RRC will review the new skating test being used in Sweden this season to see if it could be used during future FIB tournaments. Pär Billsmon will send us a Powerpoint example of the skating test for our review.
- • Pär Billsmon has 20 green jackets without any sponsors on them. He will divide these up so each of the tournaments will have enough. After the season, we will need to put in a request with FIB for new jackets and referee equipment.
 - The TC would like us to take a deeper look at the proposal from Czech Federation for a possible new set of indoor rink bandy rules (short bandy) and give them a more comprehensive report about our opinion before the end of the season. We should aim for a report back to the TC by the end of March.

Next RRC meeting TBD.

End of meeting. Notes: Kevin Bowen