

FIB Executive Committee Meeting

19 December 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
Chanel Gilomen Executive Committee Member
Andrew Knutson Executive Committee Member

Rebecca Draper Executive Committee Member/Athletes Committee Chair

Apologies:

Wu Dawei Executive Committee Member

Eight (8) EC members present, the quorum was formed.

3. Updates on 2025 FIB tournaments

Attila Adamfi gave a short update on the upcoming FIB tournaments, including World Championships Men A group and Women in Lidköping, Men B group in Uppsala; and World Championships Men 17 and Men 19 in Sandviken.

4. Jury for 2025 FIB World Championships

Based on TC and RRC recommendations, the EC unanimously appointed the following Jury for the World Championships:

Men A group and Women (Lidköping, 24-30 March 2025):

- Attila Adamfi (FIB GS Chairman of the Jury)
- Egil Larsen (FIB RRC)
- Pär Billsmon (FIB RRC)

- Arne Anderstedt (FIB TC)
- Andreas Sjöblom (FIB TC)

Men B group (Uppsala, 10-14 March 2025):

- Attila Adamfi (FIB GS Chairman of the Jury)
- Egil Larsen (FIB RRC)
- Petri Kuusela (FIB RRC)
- Frank Peters (FIB TC)
- Arne Anderstedt (FIB TC, by telephone if needed)

5. SBF request regarding Sanction Fees

Attila Adamfi informed the members that SBF sent a request to FIB to waive the sanction fees. EC members referred to the earlier discussion and decision in September 2024 noting that FIB is not in a financial situation to waive sanction fees that is one of the main incomes for FIB, in return of the rights FIB is providing to the Hosts.

Based on the above, the EC unanimously decided to dismiss the request.

6. Annual Report 2023/2024, Auditor

Attila Adamfi provided the EC members the Annual Report 2023/2024 to be approved and signed by the members.

Members unanimously approved the report and gave the authority to Attila Adamfi to use their digital signature to sign the document.

Henrik Nilsson will check the FIB insurance regarding the responsibility of the financial loss and report at the next EC meeting.

Based on the authority the Congress provided to the FIB EC, **Henrik Nilsson** proposed to appoint **Björn Elfgren** as independent external auditor.

The EC unanimously appointed Björn Elfgren as independent external auditor.

Furthermore, members agreed that the internal auditor is redundant (and no nomination was made), so the Statutes shall be amended accordingly.

7. Interim Financial Report

Attila Adamfi provided interim financial report, including status report on the historical membership fee debts – majority of these amounts were settled or clarified.

The operational goal is to reduce the expenditures (while providing a better service to our stakeholders) and increase the revenues. While the annual operational loss has been significantly reduced since 2021/2022, FIB still has an operational loss.

He is in discussion with a potential partner for the FIB World Championships, who hopefully will provide financial support as well beside VIK already in this season.

Attila Adamfi informed the EC about the ongoing discussion regarding the approved balls, and a summary will be provided to the EC members by mail.

While the EC unanimously endorsed the potential partnership in principle, Henrik Nilsson and Attila Adamfi has been authorised to make necessary discussions with SBF leadership.

Ukraine is the only Member Association with historical membership fee debts that intends to participate at the 2025 FIB World Championships.

The EC unanimously decided to allow Ukraine to participate at the 2025 FIB World Championships, subject to payment of the actual membership fee and concluding a settlement on the outstanding historical membership fees.

8. **2025/2026 FIB tournaments**

According to the FIB Event Planning document, the following applications has been received and supported by the TC:

- 2026 FIB World Championships Men (A+B), Women Sweden (Men A+Women in the same place where more than one arena is available in a reasonable distance in late March, Men B in January)
- 2026 FIB World Championships Women 17 Sweden (Week 3 or 8)
- 2026 FIB World Championships Men 17 & Men 19 Norway (Oslo, 16-19 January 2026)
- 2026 3 Nations Tournament Norway (Oslo, 16-19 January 2026)

The EC unanimously approved the above hosts for the tournaments in principle, further details to be agreed.

In particular, approval for 2026 FIB World Championships in Sweden is subject to have flexibility for Men B group in March.

Approval for 2026 3 Nations Tournament in Norway is subject to accept more than 3 (FIN, NOR, SWE) nations if interest exists form other nations – tournament's name to reconsider in this case.

9. FIB World Cup Conditions

The TC amended the FIB Conditions for the World Cup Clubs Youth, including Men 19 as well.

The EC unanimously approved the amended Conditions.

10. Recommendation for TC appointment

A recommendation letter for a TC membership has been received from NBF.

The members discussed the appointment procedure in general and agreed that a due procedure was applied after the elections, before the season, i.e. Member Associations were requested to submit nominations and appointments were made accordingly.

An evaluation shall be made after the season and necessary appointments could be done than, not in the middle of the season. The Chairs of the Committees might invite a guest to attend the meetings if needed.

The EC unanimously agreed to postpone this item to a later stage, after the season.

11. General Secretary Report

Attila Adamfi provided a short report, including the following items:

- launch of the new FIB website
- discussions with Profixio for standardised FIB match protocol and creating a database
- cooperating with Sportsin for Social Media
- discussions with Olmypic Movement leaders during the Paris Olympic Games, including World Squash (included to the LA28 Olympic Programme after being shortlisted several times)

12 Any other business

The next in-person meeting is planned during the 2025 FIB World Championships in Lidköping, on 28 March 2025.

13. Closing of the meeting

Henrik Nilsson thanked the active participation and closed the meeting.

Henrik Nilsson

President

Attila Adamfi

General Secretary