



## MINUTES FROM THE FIB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (TC) MEETING

Date: 18 February 2025  
Place: Online  
Present: Arne Anderstedt (SWE) – chairman  
Pär Gustafsson (SWE)  
Neal Logan (USA)  
Stein Pedersen (NOR)  
Frank Peters (NED) – secretary  
Tor Audun Sørensen (NOR)  
Ravi Sunder (IND)  
Also present: Attila Adamfi (HUN) – vice president and general secretary FIB  
Kjell Anderstedt (SWE) – FIB information manager  
Hans-Elis Johansson (SWE) – chairman FIB Olympic Task Force  
Egil Larsen (NOR) – chairman FIB Rules and Referee Committee (RRC)  
Not present: Yury Molotkov (RUS)  
Andreas Sjöblom (FIN)

### 1 ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING

#### *Equipment rules*

The rules are discussed in SBF's Technical Committee.

Main item was the (Bergwall) goalie facemask with wings. Swedish Bandy Federation have now approved the facemask for senior goalkeepers for this season only. Extra tests will be done by the producer after this season to get the needed approval.

FIB TC will follow this decision, but the athletes shall provide a declaration to the MA signed by the athlete that the athlete participates at the WCS at their own risk and will not hold FIB, MA or the host responsible for any injury/damage, etc. in relation with their participation.

**Frank Peters** will create this waiver document. **Attila Adamfi** will send to participating nations.

#### *International transfers document*

In progress.

### 2 TIMETABLE 2024-2025

#### *WCS Senior Men group A and Women – Sweden, Lidköping*

- Waiting for confirmation of participation of both Kazakhstan and Ukraine.
- Ukraine seems to be OK, but Kazakhstan might cancel their participation because of their financial situation. Deadline for decision is this Friday.
- A plan B for the match schedule of Group A must be considered. SBF/**Pär Gustafsson** will have a look at it.

#### *WCS Senior Men group B – Sweden, Uppsala*

Everything under control, no issues.

*WCS Y17 / Y19 Men – Sweden, Sandviken*

Report of Arne Anderstedt is received. Will be sent out with these minutes.

No other reports are received yet. **Frank Peters** will ask the Tournament Directors of the other FIB tournaments to send in their reports.

*WCS Y17 Women - Sweden, Trollhättan*

Everything under control, no issues.

*Tournament planning 2025-2026*

**Pär Gustafsson** repeats his serious and urgent message of last meeting: **Tobias Karlsson** mentioned that it is quite sure that Finland can't participate in world championship tournaments next season because of their financial situation.

This is a subject for FIB EC, so by this TC forwards this issue to the Executive Committee.

**Attila Adamfi** mentions that in the EC meeting it was said by the president of Finnish Bandy Federation **Antti Parviainen** that this is about tournaments in Sweden only, because of the costs. So, there might be some misunderstandings here and there.

**Attila Adamfi** and EC will follow up.

**Frank Peters** mentions for the umpteenth time in TC that players from B-countries and USA always have to pay for their own costs of travel etc. And they still come every year, especially for the teams from the USA this is a remarkable thing. For the other nations, it is maybe difficult for senior teams, but for junior teams it must be possible. Youth players are looking forward to nice tournaments and are probably happy to contribute money for these trips.

### **3 CONDITIONS**

Due to lack of time left in the meeting, postponed to next meeting.

The Evaluation of WCC Youths – presentation by **Kjell Anderstedt**

For this evaluation, a report is written by Kjell, it includes meetings with all organizers and a survey to all the 20 participating clubs. The report will be sent out to TC members and the three Scandinavian MA's to discuss in their MA – **do this before next meeting!**

**Other items to discuss in your MA** or for information:

- Minimum age in Senior and Youth tournaments (WCS and WCC)?
- information: FIB EC decided that a Certificate of citizenship issued by the relevant authority is accepted to prove the citizenship (Passport or ID is still necessary to prove the identity)
- Change of citizenship, deadline date is July 1. Is a change of date needed? Of course, for sure not possible to represent two different nations in one season. Taking into consideration the decision time etc July 1 is for practical reasons the best.

Send in your thoughts and remarks!

### **4 INTERNATIONAL WEEK**

Due to lack of time left in the meeting, postponed to next meeting.

Proposals sent by Tor Audun Sørensen:

- That the international week in January be moved to week 6 (secondarily week 5) in 2026 (like in old days for senior WCS Men). For nations without a bandy hall, this will provide better preparations for the World Championship Y19 Men and World Championship Y17

Men. Also an advantage in the preparations for the international senior tournament (for example 4-nations men).

- International week for men and women can be advantageously added to different weeks. This is due to, among other things, considerations for the media, television followers, spectators and logistics around the operation of the national teams.

## **5 OTHERS**

SBF published a handbook on how to build and operate large ice rinks for skating and bandy. Much appreciated!

**Attila Adamfi** has sent a mail to all MA's with a nomination opportunity for the FIB Athletes Committee. Please have a look at it.

End of meeting.

Next meeting: Friday 28 March, 12:00h CET.

This meeting is during the WCS in Lidköping. We set up a Teams meeting for those that cannot be there in person.