



MINUTES FROM THE FIB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (TC) MEETING

Date: 3 November 2025
Place: Online
Present: Frank Peters (NED) – chairman (and secretary)
Kristian Marosi (HUN)
Stein Pedersen (NOR)
Andreas Sjöblom (FIN)
Tor Audun Sørensen (NOR)
Arne Anderstedt (SWE) – ex-officio, chairman Competition Committee
Also present: Kjell Anderstedt (SWE) – information manager FIB
Not present: Neal Logan (USA)
Yury Molotkov (RUS)

1 APPOINTING SECRETARY OF TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Nobody is interested to take this task, so **Frank Peters** will continue to do this next to the task of chairman. We will look into the possibilities of AI (transcript of meeting and let AI make the minutes) to see if this is something we could use.

2 EQUIPMENT RULES, THE BERGWALL GOALIE MASK

Swedish Bandy Federation (SBF) has partially accepted under conditions the Bergwall goalie mask. See: <https://svenskbandy.se/icke-godkant-malvaktsgaller>

TC still has questions regarding the safety of the mask, mainly regarding the large openings in the mask (a bandystick can go through). Therefore, TC will not follow SBF in their decision and await more tests. In the meantime, TC wants to continue with the same rule we used last season: the athletes shall provide a declaration to the MA signed by the athlete that the athlete participates at the WCC/WCS at their own risk and will not held FIB, MA or the host responsible for any injury/damage, etc. in relation with their participation.

We ask general secretary **Attila Adamfi** to inform the participating nations.

3 SHORT BANDY PLAYING RULES

Only three MA's (Czech Republic, Slovakia and The Netherlands) have responded on the request for comments to the concept of the playing rules.

Main comments were on the items where we want opinions on:

- Rule 11, corner stroke: all feel that it should be as in normal bandy, shoot whenever possible (not to wait before ball crosses the blue line).
- Rule 1, use of the ice hockey boards (above 15 cm): keep the low boundary as is now in the rules.

One question came in: is the use of icehockey goalie vests allowed?

Decision TC: No, as in bandy this equipment is just there to protect the body, not to increase the size of the goalie to make it more difficult for opponents to score a goal.

Tor Audun Sørensen and **Frank Peters** will finalize the rules and send to TC.

4 APPOINTING JURY MEMBERS AND TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

WCS A (Pori)	- proposed jurymembers Arne Anderstedt and Andreas Sjöblom
WCS B (Uppsala)	- proposed jurymembers Frank Peters and Kristian Marosi
WCS W17, M17 & M19 (Uppsala)	- proposed Tournament Director Kristian Marosi
WCC M17 & M19 (Stockholm)	- proposed Tournament Director Frank Peters (online)

5 GUIDELINES TO ORGANIZERS

Some changes were already decided in the former TC (meeting of 4 August).

Concerning article 1.17 “Guidelines for Awards”, FIB Athletes Committee was asked for their input/thoughts and they have responded:

- Awards should be equal between pool/group and gender
 - o Each A and B pool, each gender, should receive gold/silver/bronze medals. TC decides that this is for the Conditions. Will be put on the discussion list.
 - o Each A and B pool, each gender, should receive MVP per game.
 - o Each A and B pool, each gender, should receive ‘Best’ awards at the banquet
 - o Award category for best coach. TC does not approve this, it will be hard to make this not a popularity poll, other criteria are hard to find.
- It is good that more than one party is involved in the process
- Decide about the members of this panel during the teamleader meeting before a tournament
- Proposal for members:
 - o One representative from each participating MA (not voting for own team)
 - o One person representing the organizer
 - o One person representing FIB

Frank Peters and **Tor Audun Sørensen** work out the comments and present the adjusted document to TC.

6 DISCUSSION: WCS SENIOR MEN AND WOMEN: EVERY YEAR OR EVERY SECOND YEAR

A long and good discussion with the following proposals:

- TC proposes EC to establish a broadly composed taskforce to investigate
- Members must be from A- and B-group MA's
- Don't look just 1-2 years ahead, but also further in the future
- Consider the return of Russia and Belarus in WCS tournaments in the future
- Early decision of future WCS tournaments (not 3 months before the tournament)
- For countries like Sweden, Norway, Finland: consider that players contribute to the costs
- Consider B-group MA's: if the end result will be every two year, try to establish something in the gap years to keep the B-group MA's programs running, like a tournament in bandy or short bandy.

Next online meeting: Monday 15 December, 14:00h CET.