



## **FIB Executive Committee meeting**

**06 May 2026, 15:00 CET  
Online**

### **MINUTES**

#### **1. Opening of the meeting**

**Henrik Nilsson** opened the EC meeting and welcomed the members of the Executive Committee.

#### **2. Roll Call**

##### **EC members present:**

|                   |                                                     |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Henrik Nilsson    | President                                           |
| Stein Pedersen    | First Vice President                                |
| Attila Adamfi     | Vice President & General Secretary                  |
| Andrew Knutson    | Executive Committee Member                          |
| Chanel Gilomen    | Executive Committee Member                          |
| Dawei Wu          | Executive Committee Member                          |
| Mikhail Entaltsev | Executive Committee Member                          |
| Rebecca Draper    | Executive Committee Member/Athletes Committee Chair |

##### **Apologies:**

|                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| Antti Parviainen | Vice President |
|------------------|----------------|

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

#### **3. Approval of the Agenda**

**The EC unanimously approved the Agenda.**

#### **4. Extraordinary Congress**

**Henrik Nilsson** proposed to hold an Extraordinary Congress in order to discuss the situation.

Members expressed their opinion against the proposal.

**The EC unanimously agreed not to organize an Extraordinary Congress at this stage.**

**Henrik Nilsson** also mentioned the proposal from the Electoral Committee to be involved in a meeting. While the EC appreciates the Electoral Committee's good intention, they have no duty or authority at this stage.

**The EC unanimously agreed that the Electoral Committee's current involvement is not appropriate as they have no duty or authority.**

**5. Next meeting**

**The EC unanimously agreed to hold the next EC meeting at 14:00 on 15 May 2026.**

**6. Discussion on the current situation within the Executive Committee and consideration of appropriate actions**

The EC members expressed their views and positions regarding the recent activities of the President. EC members expressed their satisfaction with the operation and confirmed that all actions of the General Secretary were in line with his authority, relevant decisions and regulations.

Henrik Nilsson presented his perspective concerning his actions and the reasons underlying them.

Following an extensive discussion during which all parties had the opportunity to express their opinions, Henrik Nilsson left the meeting at the request of the EC according to FIB Statutes Art. 25.3 due to a conflict of interest.

Already on previous discussions all EC members (including **Antti Parviainen**) agreed that confidence in the President had been lost. Subsequently and after a comprehensive evaluation, the remaining EC members confirmed the position of the whole EC.

**The EC unanimously resolved to pass a 'vote of no confidence' in Henrik Nilsson as President of FIB.**

**Consequently, to support FIB operation between EC meetings, the EC unanimously agreed to establish according to FIB Statutes Art. 35.1 a Management Commission respecting the specific duties of the President and General Secretary according to the FIB Statutes.**

**The composition of the Management Commission is as follows:**

**Stein Pedersen, chair**

**Antti Parviainen, member**

**Attila Adamfi, member**

**7. Closing of the meeting**

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

**H. Nilsson made the following comments to the minutes:**

**Background:**

*To understand the protocol and the reason of the decision EC need to explain the background to the statement*

*“The EC members expressed their views and positions regarding the recent activities of the President“*

*and the following decisions.*

- a. *The General Secretary has previously received instructions from the President that all communication regarding Russia must go through him.*
- b. *The reason for this is that the Nordic countries have made it very clear that they will not accept participation from either Russian senior or junior teams whilst Russia's war of aggression against the member state Ukraine is ongoing. Ukraine was not even able to play with whole men's team during this year's championship in Uppsala.*
- c. *As there is a risk that no World Cup tournaments will be organized, the President has made it clear to the GS that the matter is so important to the bandy world that it must be handled by the President and the EC.*
- d. *Despite these instructions regarding representation vis-à-vis member nations, the GS has deliberately breached the instructions on several occasions.*
- e. *The most recent instance was when the GS, without informing or obtaining approval from either the President or the EC, posted on the federation's website a meeting between himself and representatives of the Russian federation. The article states that agreements have been reached and that the ambition is to work together to “make bandy great in the world again”*
- f. *The article prompted representatives from the Nordic countries to contact the President and ask what the FIB's purpose was in arranging this visit.*
- g. *The President had not received any information from the GS regarding the content or the publication.*
- h. *By actively and deliberately failing to respect the elected President, I informed the GS that I had lost confidence in him and urged him to resign.*
- i. *The GS stated that he did not believe he had done anything wrong.*
- j. *The GS's actions risk paralyzing the bandy world, as there is a risk that the Nordic countries will not organize any championships. At present, only the three Nordic countries organize World Championship tournaments. The Nordic countries have expressed their full support for the President's actions and have made it clear to the President that confidence in the GS has been undermined, even without this incident.*
- k. *The next championship to be organized outside the Nordic region is the Women's World Championship in the USA in 2027.*
- l. *At the meeting on 6 May, the EC stated that they had no confidence in the President. During the discussions that had taken place prior to the meeting, the President had proposed an extraordinary congress at which the members would decide whether the President had their confidence. These are the reasons for the decision under point 4.*

*The EC decided not to convene an extraordinary congress.*

- m. *The Election committee (EC) had also proposed mediation – whereby experienced bandy leaders from around the world would mediate in the situation that had arisen. This proposal was also rejected by the EC – see item 4.*
- n. *The President holds a dissenting opinion and believes that the EC's decision to establish a Management Commission comprising Vice-President Stein Pedersen as Chair, Antti*

*Parviainen as a member and Attila Adamfi as a member, without the President's presence, is contrary to the Statutes.*

### **Miscellaneous**

*For everyone's information, the Secretary General's right to use the President's electronic signature for documents to be signed by the President is hereby revoked. As there is a clear risk of misuse. All documents to be signed by the President of the FIB must be sent to the undersigned for personal signing.*

**The below remarks are confirmed and supported by the following EC members:**

- S. Pedersen
- A. Parviainen
- M. Entaltsev
- C. Gilomen
- A. Knutson
- D. Wu
- R. Draper
- A. Adamfi

1) The GS did not receive instructions from the President that all communication regarding Russia must go through the President. The GS right and authority to communicate with FIB MAs has never been limited by the EC (or the President). H. Nilsson did state in writing that he would like to be the contact person for Mr. Oleg Deripaska, President of RBF which was respected.

The GS shall work under the supervision of the Executive Committee, not the President who alone has no authority to instruct the GS.

2) Publishing articles on the website does not require the President's or EC's approval.

3) For the above reasons H. Nilsson's statement that the GS 'deliberately breached the instructions on several occasions' is legally not possible and factually not true.

4) H. Nilsson's statement regarding the Nordic countries that 'that they will not accept participation from either Russian senior or junior teams whilst Russia's war of aggression against the member state Ukraine is ongoing' is not correct.

Their statements – that was shared with the EC – notes that they will not host or organize events **in their country** if RUS or BLR would participate.

5) N. Nilsson's statement that the GS has 'actively and deliberately failing to respect the elected President' is not true. The GS always respected the President, the EC and the FIB Statutes.

6) The EC has the right to establish Commission and appoint its chair and members according to the FIB Statutes without the requirement of including the President.

7) The notice that the GS's right to use the President's electronic signature is revoked from 18 May 2026 is noted and confirmed.

The statement that 'there is a clear risk of misuse' is strongly denied.

**Henrik Nilsson**  
President



**Stein Pedersen**  
First Vice President



**Attila Adamfi**  
General Secretary