



MINUTES FROM THE FIB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (TC) MEETING

Date: 20 May 2016
Place: Arlanda, Sweden
Present: Arne Anderstedt (SWE) – chairman
Pekka Liikanen (FIN)
Sergej Myaus (RUS)
Lars Wennerholm (SWE)
Frank Peters (NED) - secretary
Tor Audun Sørensen (NOR)
Bo Nyman (SWE) - FIB Secretary-General
From item 6: Olle Modin (SWE) - FIB RRC chairman
Håkan Sjösten (SWE) - FIB RRC
Roman Popikov (RUS) - FIB RRC
Not present: Marcus Norman (SWE)

Items which need follow-up are in **bold text**.

1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (OCTOBER 2015)

Minutes are approved.

2 FOLLOW UP: ITEMS FROM LAST TC MEETING

International windows

From now on, the windows will not be based on week numbers, but on the actual dates. We need to define these windows five years in advance. Lars Wennerholm will make a proposal for the next meeting.

Windows for 2016-2017:

- August 9-16
- September 6-13 (Vetlanda SWE-FIN)
- October 13-16 (WC Sandviken)
- December 6-13 (Trollhättan SWE-RUS-FIN)
- January 23 – February 7 (WCS A)
- February 16-19 or 23-26 (Women/girls)

3 FIB TIMETABLE

Reports from:

- Men: WCS 2016 – Ulyanovsk, Russia
- Men: Tournament B-countries – Davos, Switzerland
- Women: WCS 2016 – Minneapolis, USA
- Men: WCS Y21 – Finland
- Boys: WCS Y19 – Sweden
- Boys: WCS Y17 – Russia
- Boys: WCS Y15 – Finland
- Youth Olympic Winter Games 2016 – Gjøvik, Norway
- World Cup Men
- World Cup Women

Reports were sent to TC members.

Just this to mention:

- Ulyanovsk WCS Group B: negative historic fact was that FIB had to suspend Estonia from the tournament.
- Davos: not officially played because of no natural icefield due to the weather. Estonia, Germany and the Netherlands have played a non-official tournament on an artificial field of 40x70 meter.
- Gjøvik: Saturday, February 13; Showgame Norway Y17 boys vs. Sweden, 3-8. Spectators: 310
Monday, February 15; Bandy school 480 children 6-10 years old playing bandy.
Wednesday, February 17; School-tournament, 24 teams with children 11-13 years old.
IOC Sport Director Mr. Kit McConnell and his assistant Bram Schellekens were present and expressed: "The visit to bandy yesterday was excellent, very busy with a lot of kids and an impressive level of engagement".
Great work by Tor and Norwegian Bandy Federation!

Info, dates and locations for:

Men: WCS 2017 – Sandviken/Trollhättan, Sweden

WCS Group A 29/1-5/2 in Sandviken (TC representative Arne Anderstedt)

WCS Group B 25-28/1 in Trollhättan (TC representative Frank Peters)

Four days for Group B is too short. Sweden will discuss about a start on 24.1.

Lars Wennerholm will inform TC.

Boys: WCS Y19 – Russia

Maybe Arkhangelsk 27-29/1 (TC representative Tor Sørensen)

Russian Bandy Federation informs before June 15.

Boys: WCS Y17 – Finland

Varkaus 2-4/2 (TC representative Pekka Liikanen)

Finnish Bandy Federation informs about exact dates, maybe one day later.

Girls: WCS Y17 – Norway

Week 7 or 8 (TC representative Tor Sørensen)

Norway Bandy Federation informs about place and dates before June 15.

World Cup Men – Sandviken, Sweden

13-16/10 (TC representative: all)

Four teams from Russia, one from Finland, one from Norway.

World Cup Women

Kungälv, Sweden 28-30/10 (TC representative Anna Klingborg)

FIB sanction is not arranged yet.

World Cup Girls

Vetlanda, Sweden 4-6/11 (TC representative Emma Kronberg)

Lars Wennerholm will send invitations next week.

Champions Cup

Edsbyn, Sweden 16-18/9? (TC representative Bo Nyman)

Proposal RBF for Int. Tournament in Moscow, December 2016

Not in 2016, maybe in 2017.

Proposal RBF for Eurasian tour 2017-2018 in Sweden, Russia and Finland

Countries must discuss this. On agenda for next meeting.

Universiade 2017 – Almaty, Kazakhstan

Bandy as optional sport was taken from the agenda due to economic reasons. FIB is in contact with government of Kazakhstan (Minister of Sport) to try to get bandy back on the agenda.

When this is not successful, FIB must try to organize a WCS for students (Khabarovsk?).

Women WCS China 2018 - ensure good ice quality

Will be held on a frozen lake. FIB has to review the situation on the spot. Ice quality, light and sun are important matters.

Universiade 2019

2-12/3/2019.

Dates for all tournaments are filled in in the timetable.

4 SUMMARY ON OLYMPIC WORK**Olympic work so far:**

The Olympic Charter of August 2015 gives acceptance for recognized sport to compete in future Winter Olympic. Statistics analysis prepared by Knut A. Sørensen, "Benchmarking as a Cutterbolt into the Olympic Wall", origin written in English, has been translated to Russian, Chinese, German and soon French. Conclusions, - bandy is # 2 in size (athletes, spectators, etc.) compared to 14 other winter Olympic sports.

Lausanne 2020 (Youth Olympics):

According to experience from the process Lillehammer 2016, Tor Audun Sørensen is from FIB appointed the authority to work for getting bandy into youth Olympics Lausanne 2020. This in close cooperation with FIB. The first formal meeting with CEO Lillehammer 2016 Tomas Holmestad and The Norwegian Confederation of Sport by Intl. mgr. Magnus Sverdrup will take place in Oslo May 26, 2016.

Beijing 2022 (bandy additional sport):

Mr. Ren Honggue, Mgr. Chinese winter sport, has offered (Hamar 18.02.2016) to coordinate a meeting in summertime 2016 with FIB and Organizing Committee "Beijing 2022" (BOCOG). Letter in English and Chinese sent from FIB via Mr. Ren Honggue to BOCOG.

5 THE DIFFICULTY OF ORGANIZING 10-12 NATIONS WHO PLAY IN THE WCS B GROUP

Sweden (Lars Wennerholm) has problems with finances if tournament must be longer than four days. Also problems to find volunteers for such a long tournament.

Will be discussed in EC – on agenda for next meeting.

Point of view from the Netherlands, but probably for most B-countries:

- No big field in the country
- No bandy league
- Players practice a full year, 2-3 times per week for just this WCS Group B
- Players pay their trip by themselves
- If WCS will be shortened, players might lose interest to participate.
This could end bandy in a lot of B-countries.

6 ITC SYSTEMS AND PROCESSING

Lars Wennerholm: a proposal is made for a website to electronically fill in and process the international transfers. It will cost EUR 3000 excluding tax to make it final.

At the moment the procedure is not followed by most countries and is on paper only. FIB has no overview about international transfers, so players might be transferred illegally.

TC decision:

- Approve the making of the website for international transfers, must be ready for next transfer window
- Use the old system this season, but the countries have to inform FIB about international transfers and really pay for this to FIB.

7 RULES FOR HOW TO USE PLAYERS (EXEMPTION) IN WCS WHO DO NOT HAVE PROPER PASSPORTS

The proposal from the 6 B-countries is accepted.

Decision to be finalized by EC.

The committee that shall handle the exemption requests can be composed of members of TC and RRC. To be done!

Proposal Russia about players of 37 years old: there is not much support for this. It is also a discrimination on age which is probably not allowed.

TC needs more time for this, on agenda for next meeting.

Question from Germany about exemptions in Group A. Germany proposes the same exemption rules in Group A as in Group B.

8 RULES FOR HOW TO USE PLAYERS (EXEMPTION) IN WCS YOUTH WHO DO NOT HAVE PROPER PASSPORTS

TC needs more time for this, on agenda for next meeting.

9 PLAYING RULES AND CONDITIONS

Face protection players Y21

Rules are different in countries. Working group of Pekka Liikanen, Lars Wennerholm and Tor Sørensen make a proposal for adjustment of the rules. Will be sent to TC and RRC before September 1.

Conditions for three teams participating – do we need this?

No. Three teams is too less, but it was only one exemption last season.

Handling of red cards in friendly matches between clubs of two different nations

If the match is not sanctioned by FIB, FIB can not punish players.

TC suggests: no further action to the player in this situation.

Handling and processing of red cards during the WCS

This is about the semi-final SWE-FIN in last WCS. Sweden (Lars Wennerholm) argued in a not polite way that the Jury did not work according the rules. Administration was not OK, no decision on paper, no chance to have a word at the Jury meeting.

TC and RRC is of the opinion that procedures were handled correctly (as is written in the Conditions). If Sweden was willing to protest, they had to do that according to the rules, by mouth within 10 minutes after match end (and in writing within 4 hours thereafter).

If Sweden does not agree with the current rules, Sweden can send in a proposal to change the rules.

10 RRC QUESTIONS

Decision red cards from 3rd price match WCS B Ulyanovsk UKR-MON

Proposal TC/RRC:

Ukraine numbers 7 and 10 – two matches suspension

Mongolia number 1 – two matches suspension

Mongolia number 3 – three matches suspension

And, both Mongolian and Ukrainian have to write a letter of apologies stating that they regret that this behaviour happened and will not happen again.

Decision to be finalized by EC.

Decision red card from semi-final WCS Y15 Mikkeli FIN-SWE

Jury has handled this already. OK.

Decision of Jury in WCS Y17 Arkhangelsk

Case 2B of the Jury decisions in Arkhangelsk was about the behaviour of Finnish person Pasi Hiltunen. Jury took a decision and must send this to FIB SG/EC to follow up.

Work with new rulebook

RRC chairman Olle Modin presented some proposals for changes. These were all discussed and accepted. These proposals are at the end of this document.

Decision to be finalized by EC.

Four referees on ice

RRC wants to have four referees on the ice in some matches. RRC will decide when this is needed (and in that case no extra referee on the side). So, number of persons needed and costs are the same. Test in WorldCup in Sandviken (semi-finals and final).

TC approves.

11 VARIOUS ISSUES

No extra items.

End of meeting.



Proposal Rules Adjustment for Bandy playing rules 2016

FIB RRC proposes the following adjustments to the rules for next season. We plan to print a new rulebook when the present is three seasons old. During these three years has also decided on rule changes that are not included in the rulebook. These changes will also be printed in the new book.

New proposed rules with comment:

Rule 17.7

Leaders misconduct:

The rule be changed so that the leader instead of being rejected to the stands in not reported penalty, instead may remain in leadership bench and continue his coaching work. However remain the penalty of the captain designated player who should sit in the leader's penalty time on 10 minutes for misbehavior. However supplementation is made so that the penalty is called full time, that player may not re-enter if scored by the opposite team.

The leader's punishment for misbehavior should be completely assimilated with the players on the field. If a player do a misconduct not reported it would be 10 minutes time penalty. We want it to be the same for leaders ! But still if the leader make a rough reported misconduct it will be as today , rejected to the locker room and reported to the jury.

Players misconduct on substitute bench.

A player on substitute bench who does a misconduct not reported should get a time penalty of 10 minutes and the team should play with one player less.

A player on the substitute bench should be completely assimilated with the players on ther field and the leaders.

Rule 11, offside. C 11.10 (new)

Free shot for offside **must always** be marked by first giving a sign for "delayed" signal (arm straight up) and then complete with free shot signs and signals. This means that there is always a choice for the referee to the advantage of the game dispense signaling and leave benefit.

The reason for this is that it calls for better clarity of our players and the audience that the assistant referee communicates and clarifies an offside.

Rule 18.5 Referee decisions are final.

To an exception for the "-The referee's decision in the facts related to the game are final." - The exception relates to the jury after notification has decided to make a video vetting of the game situation.

The reason for this change is that video review already used by the jury if the video is available for FIB jury.

Rule 6.1. Goalkeeper (gloves)

The maximum permitted dimensions of the glove.

Protection of the inside included the thumb, a maximum width of 290 mm. Protection of the inside of the other four finger, a maximum width of 240 mm.

Maximum length of protection inside must be 280 mm.

The reason for this change is to prevent the “monster” gloves that we have seen from some goalkeepers in recent years.

Rule 2, C2.2 The equipment (referee control of equipment and consequences)

The referee can refuse a player to start a match if the equipment is incorrect. (new)

If the referee during the game discovers incorrect equipment, the player get time penalty five minutes. (the same rule as today).

If the player who have been denied to participate due to incorrect equipment, or players penalized five minutes for incorrect equipment re-enters the game, without demonstrate to the referee that the equipment is properly get a match penalty not reported.

The reason for these changes is that there will be escalating consequence of incorrect equipment and that we must take seriously of incorrect equipment that is dangerous for the players.

Rule changes previously decided but to be written into a new rulebook:

- There shall never be more time left of the game than it was when the referee called for timeout.
- It is allowed to jump up from the ice and play the ball with the stick, but not higher than his breast height.
- It is allowed to direct the ball correctly with the skates or the body unlimited times in succession.
- A shot hitting a team mate's skates or body and then goes into the goal, shall be approved, unless the team mate is acting actively to direct the ball.
- Back Games to own goalkeeper will result in penalty shot and time penalty when the pass is intentionally to the goalkeeper and attacking player is closest to the goalkeeper. When the defensive player closest to the goalkeeper a free stroke is called.
- If the ball during a game hits the referee **or the referee interferes a player**, with the decisive advantage, the game shall be stopped and resumed by face-off.
- If a player not be stated on the signed match report participates in the game it will result in mild match penalty .

Eskilstuna 11 may 2016

Olle Modin

FIB RRC chairman