



MINUTES FROM THE FIB RULES & REFEREE COMMITTEE (RRC) MEETING

Date: 26 January 2023

Place: Online

Egil Larsen (NOR)
Pär Billsmon (SWE)
Tom Niiranen (FIN)
Kevin Bowen (USA)

Roman Popikov (RUS) – not present

RECAPPED BOYS Y17/19 TOURNAMENT –

- The referees did well
- There were some issues with Hungarian team, which caused them to be ejected from the tournament after playing only one game.
- Sweden won both tournaments. For U19 – Finland had lead by 4 – 0, but then Sweden came from behind to win.
- 2 Red Cards. 1 to a 16 year old Swedish player. 1 for Finnish U19 during the final.
- Good skating by the teams during the matches

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS:

—GIRLS Y17 IS PLANNED FOR NORWAY: 23 – 26 February

- Norway and Sweden have confirmed. Finland may not participate, TBD.
- Deadline is midnight today.
- If Finland plays – then seven matches total
- 3 Friday, 3 Saturday, Final on Sunday
- Want all female referees if possible
- Finland has one female referee (Petra). Norway does not have any.
- Possible referee setup – need to know before Monday
 - Finland – 1 referee (could travel with Swedish referees from Stockholm)
 - Sweden – 5 or 6 possible

— ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT MEN’S & WOMEN’S VM TOURNAMENT TO COME —

- MEN’S B GROUP 24 -27 March, 2023 – B Group tournament –
- Växjö, Sweden

- TEAMS:
 - o Germany
 - o Hungary
 - o Slovakia
 - o Netherlands
 - o Switzerland
 - o Czech Republic

- We need time schedule to determine referee setup
- If possible, plan to use referees from these B Group countries

- MEN’S & WOMEN’S A GROUP 28 March – 2 April, 2023 –
- Växjö, Sweden – playing during the same dates

- MEN’S TEAMS (5):
 - o Finland
 - o Norway
 - o USA
 - o Kazakhstan
 - o Sweden

- WOMEN’S TEAMS (6):
 - o Finland
 - o Netherlands
 - o USA
 - o Ukraine
 - o Switzerland
 - o Sweden

- We need time schedule to determine referee setup ASAP
- Will need referees from USA, Sweden, Finland, Norway
- Possible to have 5 or 6 games per day
- RRC will meet again right after we have the time schedule
- US would be able to send at least 1 male referee, 1 female referee and 1 supervisor.
- Will 4 supervisors be enough for all three tournaments? Perhaps add 1 or 2 supervisors from Sweden to help with the B Group. USA could also send a second supervisor if needed to work the B Group.

- Look into if we can provide any new clothing for referees and supervisors. If Elektra sponsors jerseys – they could possibly supply new clothing too.
- It was noted that an RRC member cannot also be a referee during an FIB WC tournament.

Next online meeting: Tuesday, 31 January 2023 18,00 Norway Time. 11:00 AM US Time. Tom will send out reminders to everyone.

End of meeting.

Notes: Kevin Bowen