



FIB Ordinary Congress

28 March 2023
Elite Stadshotellet, Vaxjo, Sweden

MINUTES

1. Opening of the Congress

Stein Pedersen, President welcomed delegates and opened the Congress. Thanks to the SBF was expressed for hosting the event.

2. Election of Chairman

According to the Statutes, the President will act as a Chair.

3. Roll call, approval of members with right to vote

Belarus (BLR)	Halvor Hanneborg
China (CHN)	Wu Dawei
Czechia (CZE)	Michael Bratt
Finland (FIN)	Antti Parviainen
Great Britain (GBR)	Lyn Gibb-de Swarte (online)
Germany (GER)	Mikhail Entaltsev (online)
Hungary (HUN)	Attila Adamfi, Kristian Marosi
India (IND)	Ravi Sunder (online)
Kazakhstan (KAZ)	Nurlan Sagingalievich
Mongolia (MGL)	Baasandavaa Choiijiljav (online)
Netherlands (NED)	Frank Peters
Norway (NOR)	Stein Pedersen
Russia (RUS)	Vadim Grishpun
Sweden (SWE)	Gisela Stockhaus (online), Par Gustafsson
Switzerland (SUI)	Thierry Page
Ukraine (UKR)	Sergej Babenko
USA	Magnus Skold

13 countries in person and 4 online, in total **17 members in attendance.**

Also present:

Per-Anders Gustafsson, 1st Vice President
Zinaida Belonoshko Executive Assistant
Kjell Anderstedt

It was announced that the Hybrid Congress is recorded that the delegates noted.

4. Approval of due call

All documents sent out in due time.

Due Call unanimously approved.

5. **Approval of the Agenda**
Agenda sent out in due time.
Agenda unanimously approved.
6. **Election of the 3 Tellers**
Proposal:
 - Wu Dawei, CHN
 - Antti Parviainen, FIN
 - Magnus Sköld, USA**Tellers unanimously approved.**
7. **Election of the delegate to approve the Minutes**
Proposal:
 - Frank Peters, NED**Delegate unanimously approved.**
8. **Report of the Executive Committee**
Stein Pedersen, President summarised the Report (Annex 1.) that was sent out in advance. As discussed earlier, the whole EC shall work as the 'Working Group', an online Congress is planned for September 2023.
- Ravi Sunder, IND** raised questions about the frequency of the Women World Championships, revenues for FIB, including fee paid by SBF and the Working Group. He highlighted that delegates shall think for the best interest of FIB, not only for their Member Association.
Answer was provided that this season was special, no decision was made for the future only for this season, and SBF is paying less fee to FIB as previous hosts.
Report unanimously approved.
9. **Report of the General Secretary**
Report (Annex 2.) of the General Secretary was circulated in advance, **Attila Adamfi, A. General Secretary** summarised the Report and complemented with information about the followings:
 - Handover completed, full control of operation / administration
 - Good Governance / Transparency improvements by publishing the minutes of the EC, TC, RRC meetings, and Congress on the Website
 - WADA Code Compliance Review and necessary Corrective Actions, also the first Anti-Doping Education will be organised during the World Championships
 - Updates on the World Championships, including TV Broadcast (Russia as well) and Olympic Channel presenting the finals for the first time
 - 2021 IOC Development fund was reported and closed, also FIB applied and received for 2022 as well
 - FIB signed a partnership Agreement with Sportradar Integrity Services, they will monitor betting at the World Championships and report any suspicious illegal betting that is a great step in integrity to keep the sport free from cheating
 - Thanks was offered to SBF, staff, EC and the President**Report unanimously approved.**
10. **Auditor's Report 2021/2022**
External and Internal Auditors' Report and a Memorandum (Annex 3., 4., 5.) on Annual Report was circulated in due time.

Juha Nenonen, External Auditor explained that he conducted the audit remotely and received all necessary information he has asked for from bookkeeping.

He also highlighted that it is positive that the accounts receivables are under control and that write-downs shall be made in this season.

Although the Annual Report is a bit late, it was prepared according the Swedish law.

For the above reasons the External Auditor recommends to discharge the EC from liability.

11. **Approval of the Annual Report 2021/2022**
The Annual Report 2021/2022 (Annex 6.) was signed by all EC members, except **Per-Anders Gustafsson, 1st Vice President**. The floor was given to him to explain his reasons, he submitted a letter (Annex 7.) with his reasons.
He also mentioned unpaid invoices, the SBF was requested to provide these invoices with relevant agreements that **Per-Anders Gustafsson, 1st Vice President** confirmed. His comments were noted.
Annual Report 2021/2022 unanimously approved.
12. **Decision whether to discharge the Executive Committee and the General Secretary from liability for the period under review**
Magnus Sköld, USA voted against, other delegates voted in favour.
Executive Committee and the General Secretary is discharged from liability.
13. **Report of the Committees**
Technical Committee: Frank Peters, TC Secretary summarised the Report (Annex 8.) that was circulated in due time.
Promotion – relegation TC decision (Annex 9.) was highlighted to be confirmed by the Congress.
Timetable to be considered and Members requested to candidate for future events by 15 May 2023, call to be sent to Members soon.
Confirmation was provided that events originally planned in Russia (Irkutsk and Syktyvkar) were not cancelled, only postponed and shall be organised in the future when circumstances allow.
Report unanimously approved.

Rules and Referee Committee: Egil Larsen, Chair summarised the Report (Annex 10.) that was circulated in due time.
Complaint was mentioned that host did not follow the regulations for accommodation to be provided.
Per-Anders Gustafsson, 1st Vice President mentioned that the Hungarian Team was sent back from the Y19 World Championships.
Report unanimously approved.
14. **Election of a member to the Board of Arbitration (BoA)**
To replace **Stein Pedersen, President**, a new member has to be elected to the BoA. The Chair of the BoA proposed **Christer Pallin, Sweden**.
His CV was circulated in advance.
Christer Pallin was unanimously elected.
15. **Decision on member fees**
No proposal to decide on, the EC will make a proposal for the future.

16. **Applications for WCS**
No formal application received.
17. **Consideration and taking of decision of membership application and the exclusion of a Member Association**
No application received.
18. **Any other business**
Technical information was provided by **Per-Anders Gustafsson, 1st Vice President** about the World Championships, including former Prime Minister's visit and Opening Ceremony.
- Halvor Hanneborg, BLR** raised concerns about the economical situation of and income for FIB for the future, extra events organised in such difficult situation. The importance of regularity of events and continuous development, especially spreading bandy to new countries was highlighted.
- Attila Adamfi, A. General Secretary** provided information about Russia / Belarus situation, in relation to the IOC. The Federations are not suspended, IOC expected to make a decision/recommendation soon.
- Lyn Gibb-de Swarte, GBR** proposed to consider transgender regulation.
- Nurlan Saginalievich, KAZ** submitted a written report and proposals (Annex 11.), including to host the 2024 FIB World Championships in Kazakhstan covering the teams accommodation's and meals' costs in order to support participation.
19. **Closing of the Congress**
Stein Pedersen, President thanked the delegates the participation and closed the Congress.



Stein Pedersen
Chair / President



Attila Adamfi
A. General Secretary



Frank Peters
Delegate to verify

Annexes:

1. Report of the Executive Committee
2. Report of the General Secretary
3. FIB Audit Report
4. Internal Auditor Report
5. Memorandum to Annual Report
6. Annual Report 2021/2022
7. Letter of Per-Anders Gustafsson
8. Report of the Technical Committee
9. Technical Committee 'Promotion – relegation' decision
10. Report of the Rules and Referees Committee
11. KAZ Letter