



## FIB Executive Committee meeting

25 September 2023  
Online

### MINUTES

**1. Opening of the Meeting**

**Stein Pedersen** opened the meeting and welcomed members.

**2. Roll Call**

EC members present:

Stein Pedersen	President
Arne Anderstedt	Vice President
Magnus Sköld	Vice President
Evgeniy Epifanov	Vice President
Antti Parviainen	Vice President
Attila Adamfi	Vice President & A. General Secretary

Apologies:

Per-Anders Gustafsson	First Vice President
Vadim Grishpun	Vice President
Zhu Zhiqiang	Vice President

Also present:

Reka Foldesi	Operations Manager
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(6) EC members present, the quorum was formed.

**3. Extraordinary Congress**

**Attila Adamfi** mentioned that the focus of the Extraordinary Congress is the approval of FIB Statutes amendments and all related documents have been sent to the Members Associations.

He added that there has been an additional correction in the Statutes since the last meeting regarding Article 21.2 where the references have been updated.

**The EC unanimously approved the additional correction.**

**4. 2024 FIB World Championships**

**Stein Pedersen** reminded the members of a previous discussion regarding Katrineholm Bandy and the deadline of discussion of 26 September 2023, which deadline is most probably should be extended. There has been some discussion with the Swedish Bandy Federation and

Katrineholm Bandy however since then FIB received an additional interest from a different Swedish Club. There might be a third Club who might be interested in organizing the 2024 FIB World Championships. **Arne Anderstedt** confirmed that there is further interest and they are interested in possible conditions regarding the organisation of the event.

**Stein Pedersen** summarized that altogether there are three (3) Swedish clubs interested in the World Championships

**Stein Pedersen** proposed to have a new deadline and discussion should be started with the three Club as soon as possible due to the time constraints.

**Arne Anderstedt** added that there will be a meeting with the Swedish television to if there is an interest on their side.

**Stein Pedersen** proposed that the deadline should be extended by couple of weeks so that there is time to have a discussion with all parties. The new deadline would be end of October.

**Antti Parviainen** asked whether FIB can make an agreement with a Club and not a national Federation. **Attila Adamfi** highlighted that Swedish Federation was consulted during the whole process and they are not against the option. SBF supports the idea to have the World Championships in Sweden with the direct involvement of a Club. Important to continue the inclusion of the Swedish Federation even if at the end a Club will be the main organizer. Open dialogue should be continued with all interested parties including the Swedish Federation to agree on an offer which is the best option possible option for FIB and the LOC. After the initial discussions with the Clubs, a summary table with all the offers will be provided to the EC. The initial process of putting together a general budget has been started. The organisation has to be a joint project/venture to cover all the costs together.

**Evgeniy Epifanov** asked whether the organisation only involves the 'A Groups' or 'B Group' as well. **Attila Adamfi** answered that initial plan is only 'A Groups' as that group is the priority at the moment. As soon as FIB has a decision and agreement regarding the 'A Groups', the next focus will be on the 'B Group'.

**Evgeniy Epifanov** stated that the number of teams should be also decided. Possible solution for the Women Groups is to merge the A and B Groups and have it as one event. Stein Pedersen agreed with this option and added there might be an A and B pool in the Women event.

**Antti Parviainen and Stein Pedersen** added that the conditions should be the same for all events and members.

**Attila Adamfi** summarized the discussion and stated that Katrineholm will be informed that further Clubs are also interested in the organisation and inform the Swedish Federations and all parties involved that deadline has been extended to end of October. The priority is to find the best solution for FIB, the LOC and the athletes.

**The EC unanimously approved to extend the deadline to end of October.**

## **5. 2025 FIB World Championships**

**Stein Pedersen** informed the members that so far there is only one interest received which is from the Swedish Bandy Federations. The possible location has not been decided yet, and the offer includes both Men and Women events. He proposed to send a new email asking the Member Associations if there are other interested parties now that FIB has different conditions.

The new deadline should be same as for the 2024 World Championships which is end of October.

**Attila Adamfi** added that a new letter will be sent to the Member Associations, including the new and flexible conditions.

**Stein Pedersen** and **Antii Parviainen** also mentioned that the date of the event could be moved to January/February which might result in other members being interested in the organisation of the event.

**The EC unanimously approved to give a new deadline (end of October) to the Member Associations.**

## **6. 2023/2024 World Championships, World Cup Conditions**

**Attila Adamfi** informed the members that conditions for all World Championships should be renewed as they are not sustainable anymore and also mentioned that for Club competitions there are no conditions at all. The FIB Technical Committee has been contacted to work on this issue. Until the Committee works on the general new conditions, the EC shall make a decision on the conditions for this season's events. The options are to organize event based on last year's conditions, or to be flexible on all or just some conditions.

**Stein Pedersen** added that conditions should be same for all age groups to be fair to all LOC and the teams. This means that the teams shall pay for accommodation and meals for all age groups and gender.

It was added that the conditions will be discussed season by season.

**The EC unanimously approved to align all conditions for all age groups and gender based on the conditions of last year, i.e. participating teams shall cover their accommodation and meal costs.**

## **7. Membership Fee 2023/2024**

**Attila Adamfi** informed the members that the application of the Congress decision is not clear, draft proposal regarding membership fees will be sent to EC for approval before sent to the Members.

**Evgeniy Epifanov** mentioned that countries will pay their participation at events and that should be taken into consideration. **Attila Adamfi** added that the revenue of FIB should also be ensured.

**Attila Adamfi** summarized that he will send the proposal in one week time to the EC.

**The EC unanimously approved the proposal.**

## **8. Any other business**

Members discussed the position of Belarus and Russia at the Congress. Based on the Statutes, the Congress shall make the final decisions regarding the suspension of Belarus. Russia is currently not suspended.

**Italy application**

**Attila Adamfi** stated that based on a small adjustment in the Statues proposed by the legal advisor, EC can grant a provisional membership status to Italy and then the Congress can decide in the next 4 years whether they can become full members. This means that they can participate in the activities with no voting right.

**The EC unanimously approved to grant Italy provisional membership.**

**Attila Adamfi** informed the members that a Memorandum of Understanding has been signed with the International Fair Play Committee. **Stein Pedersen** added that agreement is with no significant cost as of now.

**10. Closing of the meeting**

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



Stein Pedersen  
President



Attila Adamfi  
Acting General Secretary