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Minutes WRRC Presidium meeting

Lyon, January 12-13, 2020

Present: M. Kerpan Izak (MKI), K. Kis (KK), Marina Eskolin (ME), Patrice de la Torre (PdT), Bartłomiej Kobylanski (BK), Marina Kalacheva (MKa)

WRRC Office: K. Bosnar (KB)

Minutes: K. Bosnar, Patrice de la Torre

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST PRESIDIUM MEETING

The minutes from the Presidium meeting in Prague were accepted unanimously. The implementation of some decisions is still in progress.

In order to improve the work of the Presidium and all other bodies of the WRRC, Presidium has decided the following:

(170) For all recurring duties, fixed dates shall be applied:

- **Presidium meetings:**
 - **2nd weekend of January, connected with the RR Judging seminar**
 - **March Presidium meeting: connected with the WRRC General**
 - **3rd weekend of September**
 - **Deadline for the Minutes of the Presidium meetings: two weeks after the meeting**
- **Rock'n'Roll Judging seminar: 2nd weekend of January**
- **Boogie Woogie Judging seminar: 1st weekend of February**
- **Meeting of the Sport Commission for revision of the rules: before August 31st, each year**

2. Finances

ME presented the balance sheet for 2019 and the budget for 2020. Presidium discussed in detail all specific topics of both documents and finalized them.

(171) Presidium accepted the balance sheet for 2019 and the budget for 2020, to be presented at the General Meeting in Paris. The budget for 2020 is prepared according to changes in the Fee Scale (See 174)

Presidium also discussed about the traveling expenses of judges. In some cases, combined costs for the car/airplane tickets were very high, putting the organizers in a very difficult situation.

Presidium, therefore, recommends to all the judges and officials to look for affordable travel combinations in the future, to buy the airplane tickets in time, and not just a few days before the competition.

3. Presidium motions for General Meeting

3.1. Changes of the Statutes of the WRRC

To be fully operational in all financial aspects, and to obtain the valid VAT-number, WRRC shall be registered in Switzerland also as a commercial entity. From our revisor company in Switzerland, we got the template of the requested changes of the Statute.

(172) The Presidium will propose the necessary changes to the General Meeting, to be able to apply for registration of WRRC in the Register of Commerce of a Canton of Switzerland in which it has its registered address:

- **WRRC is constituted as a separate legal person in Switzerland, with limited liability under Articles 52-59 and 60-79 of the Swiss Civil Code, and its registered address shall be in Neuhausen am Rheinfall, canton of Schaffhausen, Switzerland, or as determined by the Presidium. The Presidium may apply for registration of WRRC in the Register of Commerce of a Canton of Switzerland in which it has its registered address.**
- **The WRRC is nonpartisan, non-profit making body**

(173) Status of the Provisional members cannot be prolonged over and over. Presidium will propose the following changes in the Statute:

- **After two periods of three years, Provisional member shall become ordinary member, except if they apply for special prolongation of their status.**

MKa will write to all our Provisional members, to send a report about their activities before the General Meeting.

3.2. Changes of the Fee Scale 2020

(174) Presidium accepted the following changes to the Fee scale for 2020:

- **there will be only one registration per dancer, and it will cover both couple and formation dancing (25 EUR) – valid from 01.01.2020**
- **The sum for the additional coaches on the competition, charged by the organizer: 10 EUR – valid from 01.01.2020**
- **Starting fee will be collected per participant and per day, also on the World and Continental Championships. Starting fee goes completely to the organizer of the competition – valid from 01.01.2020**
- **Lecturers on the InterRock shall receive the fee of 100 EUR for the half-day and 200 EUR for the full day of training**

PDT will prepare the exact wordings for the changes in Statutes following decisions 172-174, to be presented as Presidium motions for the General Meeting.

3.3. Cancellation of the Main Class Footwork program

(175) Sport commission must prepare the detailed proposal of the motion, with all pros and cons, benefits of the cancelation of the footwork program, and possible alternatives. Persons to coordinate the task: BK, KK and KB. The proposal must be ready till the deadline for motions.

3.4. Quattro formations

(176) Based on the proposal of the Sport Commission, BK and KK will prepare the detailed motion for the General Meeting, latest till the deadline for motions.

4. General Meeting weekend, Paris 13-15.03.2020

4.1. Meetings on Friday, 13.03.2020

- Presidium meeting: 10-16
- Smaller groups meetings (Expansion project): 17-19
- Diner on Friday: Presidium, Auditors, Commissioners

4.2. Workshops on Saturday, 14.03.2020

	• Digital Marketing	10:00 – 10:45
	• Interrock 2020	10:45 – 11:15
Break		11:15 – 11:45
	• Competition organisaton	11:45 – 12:30
Lunch		12:30 – 13:30
	• New antiDoping code	13:30 – 14:30
	• Sport forum	14:30 – 16:30
	○ Footwork	
	○ Quattro Formations	
	○ Boogie Woogie	
	○ Corporate Clubs	
	○ Open Forum	

4.3. General Meeting, Sunday, 15.03.2020

Consolidated Presidium report will be presented by MKa, BK and KB will help with the specific materials.

4.4. Observers' Meeting, Sunday, 15.03.2020

The Observers' meeting will take place on Sunday, after the General Meeting (only one day). Sports director will send the invitation with the agenda to the observers.

(177) Presidium approved the timetable for the Workshop and provisional Agenda. Final Agenda will be published after we receive the motions from the Members. Logistics between the organizer and the WRRC will be coordinated by the WRRC Office

(178) The material for the delegates will be prepared only in the electronic form (no printed booklet).

5. Sport Topics

5.1. Possible new structure and system of competitions on Championships

PdT presented his ideas about the new, completely different structure of the competitions on the World and Continental Championships, which would allow more different nations in the final of the competitions. The idea will be presented on the Sport Forum during the Workshop in Paris.

6. Competitions 2019, 2020 and beyond

6.1. Rules for the organizers of the competitions – valid from 01.01.2020

Rules for the organizers of the competitions were published on the WRRC home page in due time: [“ORGANISATION OF THE WRRC COMPETITIONS”](#). WRRC Presidium strongly advises all organizers and national federations to follow them.

Presidium discussed about the possible future sanctions for non-compliance. No final decisions were made.

6.2. Sanctions for judges for breach of Code of ethics and conduct

During the last year, we had 3 breaches of the Code of ethics and conduct by the judges on, or immediately after the competitions. Based on the reports of the Supervisors on those competitions.

(179) Based on the clause 17.2.C of the WRRC Statute, Presidium decided to propose a ban to the nomination of the judges in question on the WRRC international competitions for a period of 6 months. President of the WRRC, Miriam Kerpan Izak will inform the National Federations and Judges in question about the sanctions. All three judges will have a chance to present their defense till February 20th, 2020, before the final decision.

6.3. Change of arrangements for some of the categories on the two-day competitions

(180) Presidium checked and approved some changes in the categories on the competitions in 2020. All changes were accepted and will be corrected on the WRRC calendar

6.4. Financial support of the Championships

(181) Presidium decided that WRRC will financially support all the Championships connected with WRRC general sponsor exposure. Finance director will propose the final amount for each competition.

(182) Support for RR Main Class Free Style couples and Boogie Woogie Main Class – WRRC will pay 1 night per couple in the official hotel for RR MC FS couples in Ljubljana and 1 night per couple in the official hotel for BW Mc couples in Odesne.

6.5. Applications for the competitions

In December 2019 Russia applied for several events in 2021 and 2022. Because of the special situation with WADA sanctions, the Presidium postponed the decision until the clarification of the status of the Major Sport Events. Now it is clear, that our competitions do not fall under this definition.

(183) Presidium approves following competitions in the Russian Federation:

- **World Cup RR CHILD, RR JUV, RR JUN, BW JUN, BW MC, Sochi 26.06.2021**
- **SAP World Cup final 2021, Moscow 04-05.12.2021**
- **World Cup RR CHILD, RR JUV, RR JUN, BW JUN, BW MC, Sochi 25.06.2022**
- **World Ch. RR MCFS, European Ch. BW all classes, 19.11.2022**

At the beginning of January, WRRC received the application for the competition in Zagreb, World Cup MCFS and MCCS, 30.05.2020

(184) Presidium did not approve the competition in Zagreb, 30.05.2020, because the application came too late and it was less than 5 months before the event!

ADDITIONAL: The organizer proposed a new date 26.09.2020 which Presidium confirmed via e-voting on February 4,2020.

6.6. Supervisors on the competitions

Presidium appointed the Supervisors for all competitions in 2020.

7. SAP WORLD CUP FINAL

Presidium analyzed the SAP World Cup Final 2019 in Zielona Gora. The competition was organized on a very high level, in the same format as the previous year. To improve the competition even further, the following changes were decided for the SAP World Cup Final 2020 (Prague):

(185) SAP World Cup Final 2020 - propositions:

- **Conditions for participation: Top 20 couples from each category + 1 additional couple inside Top 40 on the SAP World Cup Ranking list.**
- **Top 6 couples from each category are seeded and do not dance first qualification round, and take first 6 positions in the first spider round.**
- **If less then 16 couples will be present for the first spider round, next spider round (8 couples) will be taken. In case of injury of the qualified couple for the spider round, no other couple will be taken, and the other couple will dance alone.**

- Final battles for the RR Main Class Free Style will be conducted 3 by 3 acrobatic elements, one couple at a time, exchanging.
- The final battle for the Boogie Woogie Main Class will be conducted in Jam style, one by one, exchanging.

(186) As in 2019, WRRRC will reimburse the top 20 couples from the World cup Ranking for one night in the official hotel.

(187) Prize Money for the SAP FINAL – same structure as in 2019. Couples will be required to register their bank account data online, before the competition, and sign the form during the registration on the competition. WRRRC will deduct the bank fees for incorrect bank account information.

WRRRC PRIZE MONEY 2020

	RR MCFS		BW MC		RR MCCA	
	SAP WC Final	SAP Ranking 2019	SAP WC Final	Ranking 2019	SAP WC Final	Ranking 2019
1st	1.020 €	3.000 €	850 €	2.500 €	340 €	1.000 €
2nd	810 €	2.400 €	675 €	2.000 €	270 €	800 €
3rd	600 €	1.800 €	500 €	1.500 €	200 €	600 €
4th	600 €	1.200 €	500 €	1.000 €	200 €	400 €
5th	/	750 €	/	625 €	/	250 €
6th	/	600 €	/	500 €	/	200 €
7th	/	600 €	/	500 €	/	200 €
8th	/	600 €	/	500 €	/	200 €
9th	/	600 €	/	500 €	/	200 €
10th	/	600 €	/	500 €	/	200 €
	3.030 €	12.150 €	2.525 €	10.125 €	1.010 €	4.050 €
	Total RR MCFS:	15.180 €	Total BW MC :	12.650 €	Total RR MCCA	5.060 €

TOTAL PRIZE MONEY 2020 : 32.890 €

8. InterRock 2020, Hungary

KK prepared the presentation of the organization of the InterRock event in Hungary, 29.06 – 05.07.2020. Presidium discussed long and in detail about each aspect of this big and very important event for WRRRC.

(188) The local organizer of the Interrock 2020 is Katalin Kis and her organization team. For all official things connected to the WRRRC, including PR and Marketing of the event, the organizer has to go through the WRRRC.

(189) Price packages will be discussed and determined by KK and MKa, and approved by the Presidium. The maximum participation fee for InterRock 2020 will be 200€ (7 days/6 nights) included in the cheapest hotel package.

- (190) WRRC will give a fixed subsidy to the organizer to help with the organization and to enable lower fees for participants. The part connected with WRRC judging seminar will go over WRRC budget as usual.**

9. Education

According to the decisions of the Presidium meeting in Ljubljana (September 2019), KK prepared the proposal of the Education Expert group. The group will be responsible for the preparation of the new educational modules. The preparation of the modules will take approximately 7-8 months. Filming of the modules will be done during the Interrock in Hungary.

- (191) Presidium accepted the proposed budget and the members of the Education Expert Group:**

- Bartłomiej Kobylański
- Katalin Kis
- Fred Pasqualin
- Dmitry Ionov
- Aina Nygard
- Aniko Tormasine Neuwirth
- Ekaterina Sanzahr Balunova
- Katerina Kolbova and Roman Kolb
- Natalia Proskurina
- Rasto Banas
- Veronika Lengyel
- Thorbjørn Urskog and Flora Bouchereau

10. Expansion Project

10.1. Corporate clubs

MKa gave a quick overview of the results and experience with the Corporate Clubs in Russia:

- Corporate club is a normal club (non-profit) who is paying member fees to the national federation
- Its name is constituting with the name of the paying company
- Mass sport is the main aim of this project
- Coach(es) come from foreigner country during from 6 to 12 months (if there is no WRRC member in the country or national coaches cannot be found for this club)
- Coach(es), hall rent, simple equipment and all organizational costs are paid by the club with the project money

Following companies participate in the Corporate Clubs Project:

- PCK (German oil refinery) becomes the direct sponsor of such a club in Schwedt, Germany (DRRBV is linked to the project)

- Rusatom International Network will finance clubs in Armenia, Hungary, Finland, Turkey, India. Special agreement (target financing) with the WRRC was proposed for financing during the 1 year. The sponsorship shall be paid out to the WRRC, and WRRC shall distribute the money to the clubs. All expenses will be planned in the agreement and strictly monitored by provision of the fiscal documents. This funds can be dedicated only for this project.
- Gazprombank: China, Switzerland, India:
Normal sponsorship agreement with WRRC, where 20% of the corporate clubs budget will be added as general sponsorship of the WRRC

(192) BK will be a support person to manage the Corporate Clubs Project, together with MKa.

(193) A separate budget and finance flow will be established for this project.

10.2. Expansion project candidates for the French language countries.

(194) Presidium confirmed following new curators for the French language countries:

- **Isabelle De la Torre**
- **Sandra Mariano**

10.3. Boogie Woogie – Rising Stars proposal

The Rising Stars Project is a part of the Expansion Project of the WRRC. To be successful in expanding Boogie Woogie a new category “Rising Stars” will be initiated. The “Rising Stars” category is a competition for the beginners level and should encourage new countries and non-top dancers from existing members to attend with one or several couples the competition. A dancer can only participate in one year (calendar year) in “Rising Stars” before they need to follow WRRC BW Rules (junior, main, senior). A dancer that change partner during the year, will still only be able to participate in this class inside the same year. The Regulations are showing, in general, the important topics of dancing Boogie Woogie. Some rules are identical to the Boogie Woogie Regulations V 2.7. The Guidelines for judges can be used for deeper information.

(195) Boogie Woogie Rising Stars' proposal was accepted unanimously by the Presidium.

10.4. Newcomer Agreement – new version of agreement form

MKa presented the Newcomer agreement form:

In order to realize the Expansion Project aiming at the development and popularization of Acrobatic Rock'n'Roll and Boogie-Woogie across the world the WRRC launches a motivational project “Newcomer” which will help to bring more Main class couples from different continents to international competitions, to motivate new athletes from newly established Rock'n'Roll federations to continue trainings in Acrobatic Rock'n'Roll and to perform internationally, to increase the number of continents performing at World Games 2021, to become a reasonable candidate for the Olympic Games.

(196) Presidium accepted the Newcomer Agreement Form**11. Communication and marketing:****11.1 Conclusions from the TV presentations from Zielona Góra, Prague, Kharkiv, Kraków**

BK gave an overview of the TV presentations:

Television is a part of and preparation for future wrrc.tv. We examined several competitions throughout a year, and here are the basic conclusions.

- **Zielona Góra**
 - TV costs were EUR 6,000 for 2 days(6 cameras + 12 people from TV and Stream service)
 - Received money from spectators 1770 EUR
 - Stream costs 190 EUR
 - Our profit from selling the signal = EUR 1580
 - TOGETHER
 - COSTS 6000 EUR (not including accommodation, meals)
 - PROFIT 1580 EUR
 - TOTAL COSTS EUR 4,420EUR

There were 820 dancers at the competition

Everything depends on TV costs today and finding a balance between quality and profit

- **Prague** 2000 EUR 1 day (4 cameras)
- **Kharkiv** 1500 EUR (2 cameras)
- **Krakow** 500 EUR (3 cameras)

NEEDS

High quality and presentation of sponsors must be added to the Live stream.

Advertising or company logos

CONCLUSIONS

- By the end of 2021, we should prepare WRRC.TV to meet our needs
- 15% of the TV-profit should be transferred to WRRC
- TV must contain FREE coverage, promotional films, educational films
- most competitions should be shown on WRRC.TV

Together with the organizers, we need to look for a balance between quality and price. This high quality is needed, to attract a large number of viewers and sponsors to our federation. In this part of the season we will be looking for a solution: what is the minimum number of cameras, what do the viewers want to watch, how to present the results and the possibility of presenting sponsors during the broadcast.

11.2 Photo & Video

- (197) **WRRC has the right to send it's own photographer and videographer to the competitions by its own costs, and have the full rights for these photos and videos.**

12. WDSF - Associate Membership Renewal Agreement

MKI presented the new draft of the Associate Membership Renewal Agreement, prepared by the WDSF.

- (198) **The presidium discussed the conditions for the new Associate Membership Contract with the WDSF, and the President is authorized to send the comments and proposals to WDSF.**

- (199) **WRRC will implement requested changes to WRRC Statutes regarding the jurisdiction of WDSF Disciplinary Council under WDSF Internal Dispute Resolution Code as well as WDSF Code of Ethics and WDSF Ethics Committee.**

13. Reorganization of the WRRC Office

Presidium discussed the possibility to reorganize the work of the WRRC Office. The idea is, to take over the logistical and administrative tasks from the individual Presidium members, so they could focus more effectively on their actual work and strategic tasks and decision making. KB is currently part-time employed in the office, and willing to take over the full-time work.

- (200) **MKI and ME will coordinate the preparation of the new contract for the WRRC office, which will contain details about the scope of work for the WRRC office. The budget for 2020 will already cover the amount of full-time office.**

14. Any other item

Next Presidium Meeting will take place in Paris, France, on 13.03.2020.

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