
Minutes for the ExComm meeting September 19, 2021

9am PST / 12pm NY EST / 6pm CET / 8pm GST

Attending:

Robert “Nob” Rauch (chair), Kate Bergeron, Brian Gisel, Thomas Griesbaum
Volker Bernardi, Karina Woldt, Igor Janković

Call to order

18:05 CEST

1 Events

Woldt advised that the contract for the WMUCC 2022 had been signed by the local organizing committee (LOC), but contracts for three other WFDF events had not been signed yet. The LOC of the WUCC was still working on details and late proposals and needed more time. Planning for WJUC was still in an early stage.

All Bulletins had been prepared and would be sent as soon as contracts had been signed.

Woldt expressed worries that some teams/countries would find the deadlines too tight to commit to signing up teams in time.

With regards to WOC, more discussion with McLeod was needed. Woldt expected around 75 participants mostly from North America. She would also contact Swanson and Daniels about Guts and Freestyle events.

Woldt was monitoring information coming from The World Games and was in touch with those WFDF members which had qualified to send a team. It was discussed when to collect the fee of US\$ 200 per athlete. Also this fee should not be called “sanctioning” fee as it was to offset WFDF costs for TWG. It was suggested to call it an administrative fee.

2 Position of Sustainability Officer

WFDF needs to appoint a new Sustainability Officer. An updated job description was needed. Bernardi stated that he would meet the IOC sustainability commission soon and receive all information on changes planned by IOC. After that a job description could be drafted. Rauch expected to send out a call for application within a few weeks.

3 Gender References

Woldt indicated that she had not yet received enough information from Nuwer to discuss revising the terms we were using to refer to gender in our materials. She would call Nuwer to get the input she needed.

4 United Through Sports (UTS)

Woldt commented that the United Through Sports World Virtual Youth Festival which was initiated last year would be hosted again. WFDF was quite successful last year and with experience gained it should not be as hard as last year. Woldt planned for Fourcampre-Maye to take over.

5 Disc Golf Digital Championship

Rauch explained that WFDF was planning to host a Virtual Sport championship for disc golf. The app Disc Golf Valley seemed ideal as it was quite popular with a robust platform. One round of play takes around 15 minutes. The app was free to use. Rauch proposed that participants could sign up indicating their country of origin and gender, while remaining anonymous for GDPR purposes. A given number of top players per country would qualify for the next round. Ideas for the format were being worked through by Mead and the developers, who were confident they could handle 50,000 participants or more. Further work would be done in the coming weeks.

6 Beach Ultimate Rules

Woldt advised that the Rueben Berg together with the Beach Ultimate Committee had produced a new proposal for an update on the Beach Ultimate rules. These rules should be released by January 1st.

It was discussed that the Beach Ultimate Committee needed new members. Rauch suggested to see if the Census gave any leads to suitable individuals. Gisel suggested that meeting athletes at the WBUC in April 2022 could be helpful.

7 Quickbooks

WFDF was looking into using Quickbooks Online to enable key staff members to check on the WFDF accounts online.

8 New Book Keeper

Since the current book keeper Gray was retiring by the end of 2021, WFDF was looking for someone to replace her. The first interview was scheduled already with a few more expected.

9 Euro Account

Bergeron reported about the ongoing attempts at finding a bank or a money transfer system that would allow WFDF as a non-profit to send and receive money in Euro at little or no cost. Most banks looked into so far did not offer business for non-profits. It was suggested to see how other IFs handle this. It was also recommended to look at Citibank which has an extensive network in Europe.

10 LA28

Rauch suggested we devise a format for Mixed Ultimate which would need fewer resources than the official rules. This would clear the way for introducing the sport within the athletes' quotas that have been available for new sports in Paris24. He had asked Gisel and the Ultimate committee to discuss ideas with USAU and AUDL. He also suggested to have a showcase game between two high level teams which needed to be filmed. It was also discussed if special format for Mixed Beach Ultimate should be devised.

11 Web Site

Jankovič reported that most issues with updating the content had been solved. He expected to have the list of needed updates done shortly after the ad-hoc meeting.

12 Paralympics

Woldt reported that a questionnaire had been sent to WFDF's members with a one week deadline. She did not know how many had been received back already.

Bernardi informed that the IPC had changed their strategy and he suggested to get a complete overview of the new strategy before WFDF decided how to move on to maintain its status. Bernardi expected to receive input from Mead about this topic and had already spoken with an IPC member.

13 Update from Italy

Bernardi had traveled to Italy and met officials from various sports federations:

- Italy's IPC President
- Chairman of World Urban Games
- Italian E-Sport federation president
- Vice-President of Italian Flying Disc Federation

Closing at 19:40 CEST