



EUROPEAN DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION

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32ND EDBF COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, 27th July 2017 at 10.00hrs

Held at Esplanade du lac, Divonne-les-Bains, France

Present:

EDBF Board:	Alan van Caubergh	AvC	EDBF President	NLD
	Ute Becker-Frenzel	UBF	EDBF Vice President	GER
	Peter Jarosi	PJ	EDBF Vice President	HUN
	Kim Beckwith	KB	EDBF Vice President	NLD
	Julie Doyle	JD	EDBF Secretary General	IRL
	Mike Mackeddie-Haslam	MH	EDBF Honorary President	GBR
Council Representatives:	Bridget Walter	BW	ComSpec Chair	SWI
	Nils Asmussen	NA	Marketing & Media Chair	GER
	Robin Magnusson	RM	Member Representative	SWE
	Andrew Menzies	AM	Member Representative	GBR
	Claudio Schermi	CS	Member Representative	ITA
	Saed Abdalla	SA	Member Representative	GER
Non-Voting:	Csenge Báthory-Bozó		Translator for Peter Jarosi	

Item

Action

1.00 Welcome Address by the EDBF Chairman / Roll Call

1.01 AvC welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1.02 Apologies were received from:

- Nataliia Kravtsova, EDBF Treasurer, as she was currently collecting monies at Race Control for the Championships.
- Peter Klima, EDBF Vice President.

2.00 Confirmation of the Agenda

2.01 The agenda was confirmed as presented with the addition of the following items:

- a) How do we deal with the lack of effort by some members of the Executive Committee and those we do not see regularly?
- b) Nominations by the EDBF Council.
- c) Issue of membership fees in relation to participation in EDBF Championships and voting rights.
- d) Acceptance of the minutes of 30th Council Meeting.



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3.00 Acceptance of the Minutes of the 30th Council Meeting

3.01 The Minutes of the 30th EDBF Council Meeting were accepted in full.

Acceptance of the Minutes of the 31st Council Meeting

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4.00 Matters Arising From the 30th & 31st Council Meeting not included in this Agenda

4.01 30th Council Meeting – Item 11.1 – The current President of the Estonian Member Federation has gone missing. Event Organiser, Roman Vernhoff (non-member) wanted to send a team to ECCC 2017, but was blocked by the member federation. The EDBF need to find out why and what is currently happening in Estonia.

4.02 There has been issues now for a number of years in the Czech Republic with dragon boat clubs not happy with the way Petr Klima has led the Governing Federation; some have said it was more like a dictatorship rather than a democracy. The EDBF has been asked on a number of occasions to interfere, but have always said that this was a domestic issue and it needed to be sorted internally. The EDBF to date have been reluctant to get involved. An application has now been made to the EDBF by the Czech Dragon Boat Union who have asked to be considered as the Governing Federation. The Union appears to be made up of the majority of bona fide clubs and is being welcomed more readily by the Czech Sports Authorities.

4.03 Claudio Schermi and Mike Haslam volunteered to visit Estonia and the Czech Republic to review the situations on behalf of the EDBF Council. CS/MH

4.04 31st Council Meeting – Issue of membership fees in relation to participation in EDBF Championships and voting rights. It was agreed that a club cannot be held responsible for a Governing Federation not paying their annual EDBF membership fee. In future the on-line registration system should be blocked until the Governing Federation has paid. The Federations who have not paid will not be able to vote at Congress on Monday. JD

4.05 As at 25/07/17 the following Govering Federations have not paid their EDBF membership fees – Czech Republic, France, Spain, Serbia and Ukraine.

5.00 EDBF President's Report



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5.01 Due to time constraints this item was postponed to the EDBF Congress to be held on Monday, 31st July 2017.

6.00 EDBF Treasurers Report 2014, 2015, 2016 / Annual Fees

6.01 No report was given as the Treasurer was not in attendance at the meeting.

7.00 Report/Bids for European Championships 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021

7.01 Due to time constraints this item was postponed to the EDBF Congress to be held on Monday, 31st July 2017.

8.00 Motions before the Council

8.01 No motions were received.

9.00 Developments of Dragon Boating in New Dragon Boating Countries/Future Developments of Dragon Boat Racing in Europe

9.01 Nothing to report.

10.00 Any Other Business notified to the Chairman before the Meeting

10.01 EDBF Statutes & Bye Laws still need completing.

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10.02 As per the EDBF Statutes, clause 9.4 refers, the Council can nominate for election more EDBF Officers to the Council as this would give more choice to the membership. Currently:
2 x Nominations for EDBF President received (1 x Italy, 1 x Ukraine).
2 x Nominations for EDBF Treasurer received (1 x Italy, 1 x Ukraine).

10.03 Discussion took place on whether it was considered transparent to have two officers (President and Treasurer) come from the same country. It was noted that an individual should be judged on their ability to actually do the job rather than where they come from. In the past both the President and Treasurer have come from the same country and there was never any problems with trust and transparency.

10.04 Late nominations were received from:
British Dragon Boat Association, but they did not include a seconder.
- Nomination 1: President – Adrian Dyer (Cyprus)
- Nomination 2: President – Jorge Carrcedo (Spain)
Swedish Dragon Boat Association.
- Nomination 1: President – Alan van Caubergh (Netherlands)



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10.05 It was confirmed that AvC will advise the EDBF Congress of the additional nominations and that the EDBF Council agreed to let Congress decide on whether they should be included. AvC

10.06 UB stated that she would like to include 1000m racing for the standard boat racing class only at the ENC in 2018. This was to make the standard boat racing class more attractive. Secondly the results from the 1000m could be used for the 2000m start order. In principle this was approved by Council.

11.00 Date, Time and Place of the Next Meeting

11.01 To be confirmed.

Minutes produced by Julie Doyle (IRL) – 10th October 2017

I confirm these minutes represent a true record of the meeting held.

Signed by:

Alan van Caubergh
President
European Dragon Boat Federation

Dated: 13th October 2017