

**MINUTES OF THE 55TH EDBF COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 18.00HRS (BST) / 19.00HRS (CET)**  
**HELD IN VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**Present:**

<b>EDBF Executive</b>	Claudio Schermi	CS	EDBF President	ITA
	Ute Becker-Frenzel	UBF	EDBF Vice President	GER
	Peter Jarosi (left at 19.02hrs)	PJ	EDBF Vice President	HUN
	Valerii Morgun	VM	EDBF Vice President	UKR
	Maura Dezi (joined at 19.15hrs)	MD	EDBF Treasurer	ITA
	Julie Doyle (left at 18.50hrs)	JD	EDBF Secretary General	IRL
	Andrew Menzies (left at 19.25hrs)	AM	Member's Representative	GBR
<b>EDBF Council Representatives:</b>	Saed Abdalla	SA	C&T Commission	GER
	Anna Socratous	AS	Women's Commission	CYP
	Antonio De Lucia (joined at 18.54hrs)	ADL	Medical Commission	ITA
	Michaela Scacchetti (joined 18.23hrs)	MS	M&M Commission	ITA
	Neil Pickles	NP	Member Representative	GBR
<b>Non-Voting:</b>	Mike Thomas (left at 19.18hrs)	MT	IDBF President	GBR
	Mike MacKeddie-Haslam	MMH	EDBF President of Honour	GBR
	Alan van Caubergh	AvC	EDBF Honorary President	NLD
	Alexey Morgun	AM	Translator for Valerii Morgun	UKR
	Réka Szabina Török	RST	Translator for Peter Jarosi	HUN
	Yvonne Meyer	YM	Guest	GER

<u>Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
<b>1.00</b>	<b><u>Welcome Address / Roll Call</u></b>
1.01	CS welcomed everyone to the meeting.
<b>2.00</b>	<b><u>Confirmation of Agenda</u></b>
2.01	The agenda was confirmed as published.
<b>3.00</b>	<b><u>Acceptance of the Minutes of the Previous EDBF Council Meetings</u></b>
3.01	The minutes of the 54th EDBF Council Meeting held on 14th July 2020 were approved in full.
<b>4.00</b>	<b><u>Co-option of Vice President, Chair of Youth Commission, Chair of Women's Commission</u></b>
4.01	The Executive Committee proposed the following delegates for co-option: Vice President – Anna Socratous (CYP) Chair of Youth Commission – Alexey Morgun (UKR)

Chair of Women's Commission – Paula Pochesci (ITA)

4.02 It was noted that Italy would then potentially have 6 out of 18 votes on the Council and whether this was correct Governance for the EDBF.

4.03 Round 1 Vote – To accept all 3 positions together en mass:

For: 0

Against: 3

Abstain: 4

4.04 It was agreed to go back to the Executive Committee to re-consider the positions, especially the Chair of Women's Commission.

4.05 It was noted that not all Council Members, including the EDBF President, were clear on the original mass vote at item 4.03. It was agreed to vote again for each position separately.

4.06 Chair of the Women's Commission - Paula Pochesci (ITA)

Round 2 Vote:

For: 4

Against: 4

Abstain: 1

The President exercised his casting vote and declared the proposal accepted:

For: 5

Against: 4

Abstain: 1

4.07 Vice President – Anna Socratous (CYP)

Round 2 Vote:

For: 9

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Proposal accepted unanimously.

4.08 Chair of Youth Commission – Alexey Morgun (UKR)

Round 2 Vote:

For: 9

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Proposal accepted unanimously.

**5.00 EDBF Forum, Gala Dinner, Awards Ceremony & European Indoor Championships 2020**

5.01 With the current travel restrictions in place around Europe due to COVID-19 and the increase in cases it would be very difficult to hold an event in Italy in December.

- 5.02 Options put forward were:  
a) Cancel the event and hold the forum on line.  
b) Postpone the event and hold the forum the week before Kiev for special topics.
- 5.03 It was agreed to cancel the event and hold the forum online in a simplified version.  
Vote:  
For: 7  
Against: 1  
Abstain: 2
- 6.00 Financial Support Request – Lithuania, Serbia, Albania.**
- 6.01 The financial support request from Lithuania relates to amount of €5,000 - €6,000. VM elaborated on the application and the involvement of the UDBF in the Lithuanian support program, including the supply of boats. Council questioned whether financial support to a Member should be used to buy boats from another member. It was decided to postpone any decision to the next meeting.
- 6.02 Support to Serbia and Albania would be in kind. No further decisions were made during this meeting.
- 7.00 Any Other Business.**
- 7.01 -
- 8.00 Date, Time and Place of the Next Meeting.**
- 8.01 Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> October 2020 – 18.00hrs (BST) / 19.00hrs (CET) via Zoom Meeting.

Minutes produced by Julie Doyle / Alan van Caubergh.

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

Signed by:



Claudio Schermi  
President  
European Dragon Boat Federation

Dated: 28<sup>th</sup> October 2020