

**MINUTES OF THE 58TH EDBF COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER 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	PJ	EDBF Vice President	HUN
	Anna Socratous (joined 18.30hrs)	AS	EDBF Co-opted Vice President	CYP
	Maura Dezi	MD	EDBF Treasurer	ITA
	Julie Doyle	JD	EDBF Secretary General	IRL
	Andrew Menzies	AM	Member's Representative	GBR
<b>EDBF Council</b>	Paola Pochesci	AS	Women's Commission (Co-opted)	ITA
<b>Representatives:</b>	Antonio De Lucia	ADL	Medical Commission	ITA
	Michaela Scacchetti	MS	M&M Commission	ITA
	Gianni Romani	GR	Member Representative	ITA
<b>Non-Voting:</b>	Mike MacKeddie-Haslam	MMH	EDBF President of Honour	GBR
	Réka Szabina Török	RST	Translator for Peter Jarosi	HUN

<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.
1.02	Apologies were received from Saed Abdalla and Neil Pickles.
<b>2.00</b>	<b><u>Confirmation of Agenda</u></b>
2.01	The agenda was confirmed as published with the exception of swapping the order of items 4 and 5.
<b>3.00</b>	<b><u>Acceptance of the Minutes of the Previous EDBF Council Meetings</u></b>
3.01	The minutes of the 57th EDBF Council Meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2020 were approved in full.
<b>4.00</b>	<b><u>EDBF Forum Update</u></b>
4.01	CS advised that having witnessed first hand the SportAccord and IF Forum events behind the scenes he was inspired to do something similar for the EDBF Forum. CS advised the details concerned and the program and speakers. Everything is projected with the help and support of the M&M Commission. It will be held on the EDBF YouTube Channel on Saturday, 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2020. See attached EDBF Forum programme.

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| 4.02        | The cost of doing this production will be fully covered by sponsors.   |       |
| 4.03        | CS has negotiated the following sponsorship of the event; therefore there will be no actual cost to the EDBF.<br>Emilia Romagna Tourist Board<br>Tegysport<br>Hornet<br>Fidenza Village  |       |
| 4.04        | The EDBF will also give free sponsorship to Peisheng Boats as they have always supported our events.   |       |
| 4.05        | PJ questioned the cost of the event and believed we could achieve the same end product at no cost. When the council voted on holding the Forum online it was never advised that there would be a financial cost. PJ noted that the members voted us onto the Council as they wanted to hear from us in a personal way. PJ declined to take part in the Forum as he did not want to act out a role. He felt it was important in the current pandemic that we engaged with our members and listened to what they had to say. |       |
| 4.06        | CS advised that doing the Forum in this format allowed the EDBF to do something new and in a professional manner. It also means we get an opportunity to have Dr. Rafaele Chiulli and Stephen Fox at the Forum which would not be possible in a live situation. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions via the 'Chat' facility on YouTube. These can be answered directly on the day or noted and replied to after the event.  |       |
| 4.07        | JD advised she will post up the Forum details on Facebook and asked everyone to then share it.   | ALL   |
| <b>5.00</b> | <b><u>Report from Working Group – Mike MacKeddie - Haslam</u></b>  |       |
| 5.01        | MMH made a presentation of what the working group had been reviewing over the last number of weeks. See attached Proposals and Suggestions to the EDBF Council.  |       |
| 5.02        | It was agreed that a future Council Meeting should be dedicated to agreeing the items as listed once all the works/discussions were completed.   |       |
| 5.03        | MMH advised that anything agreed would not come into effect until after the next EDBF Congress.  |       |
| 5.04        | CS requested that MD and AM be included in the final meeting as this would then include all the Executive Committee.   | MMH   |
| <b>6.00</b> | <b><u>Any Other Business.</u></b>  |       |
| 6.01        | PJ advised although they had requested a repayment of their deposit & a receipt for the  | PJ/CS |

initial payment for the ENC 2020; they are still awaiting a refund and the receipt from the UDBF. Two months have now passed and PJ requested that the EDBF send a formal letter. As Valerii Morgun was a Vice President of the EDBF, CS suggested PJ make a personal call to VM. CS also offered to assist with a joint Zoom meeting to aid the recovery of the deposit.

6.02 MMH advised that UDBF has outstanding debts with Peisheng as boats had been delivered for the ENC 2020. He asked that the grant to Lithuania for boat purchases from the UDBF could be paid direct to Peisheng Boats. It was agreed that EDBF could not pay an invoice that was made out to another company/body as this would not pass our auditors. CS trust that UDBF will balance outstanding debts (due the pandemic) as soon as possible.

**7.00 Date, Time and Place of the Next Meeting.**

7.01 Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021 – 18.00hrs (BST) / 19.00hrs (CET) via Zoom Meeting.

**Attachments:**

- EDBF Forum Programme
- Proposals and Suggestions to the EDBF Council on the Statutes & Bye Laws.

Minutes produced by Julie Doyle (IRL).

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

Signed by:



Claudio Schermi  
President  
European Dragon Boat Federation

Dated: 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020