

**MINUTES OF THE 57TH EDBF COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER 2020 AT 18.00HRS (BST) / 19.00HRS (CET)**  
**HELD IN VIDEO CONFERENCE**

**Present:**

<b>EDBF Executive</b>	Claudio Schermi	CS	EDBF President	ITA
	Anna Socratous	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 Representatives:</b>	Paola Pochesci	AS	Women's Commission (Co-opted)	ITA
	Antonio De Lucia	ADL	Medical Commission	ITA
	Neil Pickles	NP	Member Representative	GBR
<b>Non-Voting:</b>	Mike Thomas (left at 19.22hrs)	MT	IDBF President	GBR
	Mike MacKeddie-Haslam	MMH	EDBF President of Honour	GBR
	Alan van Caubergh	AvC	EDBF Honorary President	NLD

<u>Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
<b>1.00 <u>Welcome Address / Roll Call</u></b>	
1.01 CS welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
1.02 Apologies were received from Ute Becker-Frenzel, Peter Jarosi, Saed Abdalla.	
<b>2.00 <u>Confirmation of Agenda</u></b>	
2.01 The agenda was confirmed as published.	
<b>3.00 <u>Acceptance of the Minutes of the Previous EDBF Council Meetings</u></b>	
3.01 The minutes of the 55th EDBF Council Meeting held on 22nd September 2020 were approved in full.	
3.02 The minutes of the 56th EDBF Council Meeting held on 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2020 were approved in full.	
<b>3.00A <u>Matters Arising From Previous Minutes</u></b>	
3.01A Peter Jarosi was unable to attend the meeting today and had sent an email requesting additional comments in the minutes of the 56 <sup>th</sup> EDBF Council Meeting regarding his views on the grant money allocation to EDBF members. It was agreed that the minutes as presented represented a fair summary of the meeting. CS to respond to Peter Jarosi regarding his comments.	PJ

**4.00 3<sup>rd</sup> EDBF Forum**

4.01 The EDBF Forum will be held on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2020 – 09.00hrs (BST) – 12.00hrs (BST) / 10.00hrs (CET) – 13.00hrs (CET).

4.02 It was agreed that the Forum should last a maximum of 3hrs and presentations should not exceed 15 minutes each to keep the audience engaged. One brief comfort break would be included so that people did not disappear after the break.

4.03 JD to advise the members of the time and date as soon as possible and a more detailed agenda would be circulated nearer the time. JD

4.04 Key subject for Forum agreed the way to come back to our sport following the pandemic.

4.05 It was suggested to include some messages for the Forum from some Olympic medalists who had also participated in dragon boating.

4.06 MH to speak to Sebastian Coe (BDA Patron) to see if he was available to attend or send a message. MH

4.07 CS to speak with Sue Holloway to see if she could present or record the presentation she did for GAISF in 2019, with Klaus Dibiasi and others if necessary and Ute Becker to speak with Ruderig Helm and other Champions from Germany CS

4.08 Other topics for the Forum include:  
 - ENC 2021 and ECCC 2022  
 - COVID-19 – Views from different countries  
 - Update from commissions – It was noted there had been little activity from most of the commissions during the last year and concern was raised what their content would be.  
 - SUP and CAS decision – How it effects dragon boating.

4.09 CS advised he would keep the Council up to date with the agenda for the Forum. CS

4.10 CS advised that the Financial Committee would review the costs associated with running the Forum online.

**5.00 Any Other Business.**

5.01 Confirmation Yvonne Meyer (GER) was co-opted onto the Women's Commission and Lilia Baravics (HUN) was co-opted onto the Youth Commission.

5.02 JD advised that Albania has now presented a membership application to the Secretariat, but it was unclear who made up the Albanian Federation. It was agreed that they should be asked to present the minutes where they formed their new federation and ask them to clarify who the membership is for a club or a federation. JD

6.00 Date, Time and Place of the Next Meeting.

6.01 Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020 – 18.00hrs (BST) / 19.00hrs (CET) via Zoom Meeting.

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: 27th November 2020