



MINUTES

Of the annual meeting of the

FAI Ballooning Commission

Held in

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1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Plenary meeting was called to order at 9:00, 17 March 2023.

CIA President, Mark Sullivan, welcomed Delegates and thanked Subcommittee and Working Group members for their work during the past year.

2 IN MEMORIAM

The Plenary Meeting then commenced with a moment of silence in respect of the recently departed members of the ballooning community.

Roland Schuler

Olivier Roux Devillas

Neil Robertson

Josef Starkbaum

Uroš Sobočan

3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from:

China: Li Tong

Croatia : Igor Miclousic

Hong Kong: Andy Chau

Luxembourg : JC Weber

Slovenia : Matjaz Pavlinjek

USA : Maury Sullivan

Lynn Sullivan

4 DELEGATES ROLL CALL

CIA OFFICERS, DELEGATES, ALTERNATE DELEGATES, SUBCOMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP MEMBERS AND OBSERVERS ATTENDANCE

There was a moment of acknowledgement for the change of delegacy from Japan. Sabu Ichiyoshi stepped down as delegate after 41 years of service in the CIA. The first meeting he attended was in 1976 in Paris.

CIA PRESIDENT			Mark Sullivan (USA)
CIA SECRETARY			Sanne Haarhuis (NED)
FAI Secretary General			Markus Haggenev
COUNTRY	DELEGATE	ALTERNATE	Subcommittee/Working Group members and observers
Australia (Aus)	Ireland, Steve		Pritchard, Rhonda (Sat)
Austria (Aut)	Fraisl, Christoph	Stürzlinger, Gerald	
Belgium (Bel)	Van Geyte, Luc		
Canada (Can)	David Gleed		
Croatia (Cro)	Proxy to USA		
Czech Rep (Cze)	Jan Suchy		
Denmark	Proxy to Sweden		
Finland (Fin)	Sipinen, Markku		
France (Fra)	Pelard, Benoît		
Germany (Ger)	Schneider, Uwe	Meinl, Silvia	Eimers, Sebastian Engel, Charlotte Meinl, Mike Michel, Christian Hora, Tomas (Sat) Strasmann, David
Hungary (Hun)		Pálhegyi, Zoltan	Balo, Tamas
Italy (Ita)	Charbonnier, Igor (Fri)	Cremoni, Maria Chiara (Fri)	Oggioni, Paolo
Italy (Ita)	Proxy to Spain (Sat)		
Japan (Jpn)	Soejima, Hiromori	Endo, Katsura	Furukawa, Hiromi Ichiyoshi, Sabu
Rep. of Korea	Roh, Eunyong		
Latvia (Lat)	Proxy to Lithuania		
Lithuania (Ltu)	Kazlauskas, Zydrunas		
Luxembourg (Lux)	Weber, Claude		
Netherlands (Ned)	Haarhuis, Sanne	Pellegrom, Erwin	
Poland (Pol)	Filus, Witold	Ivanski, Arkadiusz	
Slovak Republic (Svk)	Brezan, Juraj		
Slovenia (Slo)	Branko, Ambrozic		
Spain (Esp)	Aracil, Ricardo		
Sweden (Swe)	Bengt Stener		
Switzerland (Sui)	André, Marc		
Turkey	Proxy to Luxembourg		
United Kingdom (Gbr)	Muir, Lindsay	Bareford, David	Bareford, Dominic
United States Of America (Usa)	Baird, Andy	Sam Parks	Bradley, Troy Debbie Spaeth White, Cheri

		Day One	Day Two	
Total Attendees		44	44	
Total CIA Members		31	31	
VOTE Count	Delegates Voting	22	21	
	Alternates Voting	1	1	
	Members with voting rights			
	Proxies	4	5	Proxy Ita → Esp Saturday
TOTAL VOTES		27	27	
Absolute Majority		14	14	
2/3 Majority		18	18	

A current list of FAI Members List and CIA delegates can be found on the FAI website:
<https://www.fai.org/page/cia-delegates>

5 PROXIES

- Croatia proxy to USA
- Denmark proxy to Sweden
- Latvia proxy to Lithuania
- Turkey proxy to Luxembourg
- Italy proxy to Spain (Saturday only)

6 ANNOUNCEMENTS

AGENDA ORDER

The chair states that the agenda may be changed and adapted to the needs of the delegates to show their presentations.

Delegates were reminded that the agenda order would be established by the President (IR 3.6.1).

REVIEW OF PROCEDURES

Delegates were reminded of the procedures in respect of:

Motions (IR 3.7)

Rules of Debate (IR 3.8), delegates are encouraged to speak once on each topic.

Items not on the agenda need 2/3's majority to be discussed but no decision may be made on these items

COUNTING COMMITTEE

Cheri White (USA) and Mike Meinel (GER) were nominated as the Counting Committee (IR 3.11.4).

Approved by the Plenary unanimously on a motion from the Chair

CIA POLICY DOCUMENTS

The Delegates were reminded of the CIA Policy Documents in force for the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Cia President: any bid or intention to host the next plenary meeting should be presented as soon as possible

ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

The total votes present: 23

The total votes including proxys: 27

The number of votes required to achieve an absolute majority was declared as 14

The number of votes required for a New Motion (2/3 majority) was declared as 18

The Chair announced the numbers for the absolute and two-thirds majorities and that these numbers will only change because of delegates arriving late or leaving early who formally notify the chair.

VOTING PROCEDURES

Described by CIA President as outlined in the FAI Statutes, By-Laws, and CIA IRs.

For continental events only Delegates from that continent may vote.

ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM

The FAI electronic voting system will not be used in this meeting.

FAI CODE OF ETHICS

The FAI Code of Ethics applies to the CIA meeting. CIA members concerned should declare their respective conflict of interest to the FAI General Secretary.

DOMESTIC ARRANGEMENTS

Coffee breaks and lunch arrangements were announced.

7 MINUTES OF THE 2022 PLENARY MEETING

Minutes were approved unanimously

8 CIA BUREAU ACTIONS

The Chair reported on the actions taken by the Bureau in the previous 12 months.

The bureau decisions can be found in the documents part of the FAI / CIA website

9 REPORT ON FAI ACTIVITIES

Mark Sullivan, CIA President reported on FAI activities and meetings and stressed the working together of the commissions presidents.

A lot of the time spend in the commissions presidents meeting is on finances.

The FAI is experiencing financial strain. A lot of NAC's are downgrading their membership and therefor pay lower fees. NAC's payments are very often late, creating cashflow issues. Russia is removed as a member, but was a big player within the FAI.

This results in more emphasis on creating budgets that are balanced. And following expenses and income more closely.

The CIA budget is not always balanced, but we have a good track record of investing for the future and creating a return on investment.

Markus Haggeney gives more insight in the FAI finances from the past up till now and how FAI has worked to cut overspending and get back into a positive financial situation. And gives some more insight in the effects of the financial challenges Mark was talking about.

He introduces the team that works at FAI. The new members communications employee Kamila Vokoun in specific. She is doing a good job in being a good teamplayer as well for NAC's as for Commissions.

Presentation Markus Haggeney

Attachment 1

10 REPORT ON THE 2022 FAI GENERAL CONFERENCE

The 115th FAI General Conference took place electronically from 1 to 3 November 2022.

The report was included in Markus his presentation on FAI activities.

**Next FAI General Conference 24-27 OCT 2023
Dayton, Ohio, USA**

11 DELEGATES REPORTS

Delegates were given the opportunity to give a verbal report on activities in their countries.

Everyone gave a short impression of the activities in their country in the past year. Most countries hold a national championship. Some combine their nationals event with another country.

Overall we hear activity in getting young pilots interested in competition although it does seem to be hard to keep the amount of competition pilots high. There is in overall a huge attraction to making money in ballooning commercially.

Statistics have been gathered for many years. The past years the gathering of the information has become harder. The secretary asked if there were people finding it important to keep gathering the information. Or if anyone would like to help find a way to gather information. There was no response from the floor.

12 JURY BOARD SC REPORT

Hikomori Soejima (JPN) presents the report

Hans Akerstedt and Les Purfield have resigned from the JuryBoard and are commended for their long-time and highly competent contributions.

New jurors and upgrades:

The Jury Board decided to approve the following:

- *Maury Sullivan (USA)* *Upgrade to Intermediate Level*
- *Lindsay Muir (UK)* *Upgrade to Senior Level*

The Jury Board decided to reject the following:

- *Sakato Shigeo (JPN)* *Entry level*
No signed application was received by the CIA JB

The Jury Board received the following resignations:

- *Alex Nagorski (CAN)* *Resigned after 30 years of service*
- *Les Purfield (GBR)* *Resigned after 30 years of service*
- *Johan Fürstner (AUT)* *Resigned after 22 years of service*

Motion 1:

To approve the jury suggestion for the 25th WHABC2024.

Pres: Lindsay Muir (GBR)

Member: Bengt Stener (SWE)

Member: David Gleed (CAN)

Stand-in: Moniek van de Velde (BEL) only in case of necessary replacement

The motion is accepted unanimously

Motion 2:

To give the bureau permission to publish the Jury Handbook when finished.

The motion is accepted unanimously

Question from Paolo on a jury assignment for the pre world championships in 2023.

As there has never been an application for a CAT1 pre world championship there will not be a CIA jury assignment.

Jury Board meeting minutes

Jury list 2023

Event juries 2023-2024

Attachment 2

Attachment 3

Attachment 4

On a motion from the Chair the Report and motion are accepted unanimously

13 OFFICIALS SC REPORT

Steve Ireland (AUS) presents the activities and report.

The officials SC has created a mailing list for chief officials. For event organizers to use to easily find officials from all over the world.

Motion 1:

To approve the current Event Director's list.

Attachment 5

The motion is accepted unanimously

Officials meeting minutes

Attachment 6

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

14 EVENT DEVELOPMENT SERVICE SC REPORT

Lindsay Muir (UK): reported on the work of the SubCommittee. They reviewed 2022 events and reviewed the current sanction applications.

Sanction Applications to all events can be found in the documents on the CIA documents part of the website under Events, Events Sanction Documents.

There was a discussion about how to implement the request from Competitors SC to have a good balance between inviting as many countries as possible and the best competitors in the world. The minimum of 2 competitors in the first round as suggested to S1 is not the best way to go. The coming year we will look for a way to create a good balance.

Other thing that has been worked on for a while is an easier way to compile the information for the sanction application. NTSC suggested to implement this in WMF. **Attachment 7**

Motion 1: (2nd Germany)

We propose a motion to the CIA for CHF 3100 to invest in the development of an online sanction application management system in Watchmefly.

The motion is accepted unanimously

Motion 2: (2nd Luxembourg)

We propose a motion that Event Development Sub-Committee and Event Organisers Sub-Committee (EOS) merge to become 1 sub-committee.

The motion is accepted unanimously

The advice was given to revise the mission statement of EDS to update the internal regulations and to make sure that the mission statement that made it important to create the EOS SC is still in place.

EDS meeting minutes

Attachment 8

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

The motion is accepted unanimously

15 RECORDS SC REPORT

Troy Bradley (USA):

Presentation Attachment 9

This year three records have been ratified. The Russian record that was set before Russia invaded Ukraine and 2 feminine records, duration and distance.

- *Nairi Barseghyan (ARM) and Sergey Bazhenov (RUS)*
AX09 Duration Record 34 hr 12 min 16 sec (file19635)
- *Alicia Hempleman-Adams (GBR)*
AX04 Feminine Duration Record 7 hr 24 min 30 sec (file 19872)
- *Alicia Hempleman-Adams (GBR)*
AX04 Feminine Distance Record 301.9 km (file 19871)

Records meeting minutes

Attachment 10

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

16 SAFETY AND EDUCATION SC REPORT

Benoît Pelard (FRA):

Safety and education meeting minutes

Attachment 11

On a motion from the Chair the report was accepted unanimously

17 COMPETITORS SC REPORT

Andrew Baird (USA): Gave a presentation on the results of the SubCommittees questionnaire.

CSC recommends that EDS, in working with new bids, to advise organizers that at a MINIMUM, bids should include: Maps and Credentials, Propane, and tickets for pilots and crews to the opening and closing ceremonies. This is in response to an increasing number of bids that do not include propane.

Competitors meeting minutes

Attachment 12

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

18 RULES SC REPORT

Rules meeting minutes

Attachment 13

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

AA WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Mark Sullivan (USA):

Rule changes and Handbook changes are listed in the minutes.

Motion 1:

Approval of Gordon Bennett MER 2023

Attachment 14

On a motion from the Chair the motion was accepted unanimously

Motion 2 :

Approval of Gordon Bennett Rules 2023

Attachment 15

On a motion from the Chair the motion was accepted unanimously

AA WG meeting minutes

Attachment 16

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

BX WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Luc van Geyte (BEL) presents his meeting report.

BX WG meeting minutes

Attachment 17

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

SPORTING CODE SECTION ONE WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Hikomori Soejima (JPN):

There was a discussion on the changes in Internal Regulations and a decision on the motions was postponed until after the break.

Motion 1:

That the Working Group proposal for the change to the following rule be approved.

5.6.1.2 The organizing NAC shall issue an invitation for an equal number of competitors to each eligible NAC.

Note: Discussed with CSC and EDS that they will work on a formula or table to decide on an equal and fair number.

motion adopted unanimously

Motion 2:

That the Working Group proposal for the change to the following rule be approved.

5.6.1.6 An organiser may invite one competitor as a 'wild card' of their choice.
* the 10% rule (S1 5.6.4.3) does not apply for this invitation.

motion adopted unanimously

Motion 3:

That the proposed changes to the Sporting Code Section 1 be approved as published.

motion adopted unanimously

Motion 4 (adjusted after discussion):

That the following changes to the Internal Regulations be approved. Rule 3.2.3 Quorum, Rule 7.1.4 Sanction Fee Payment procedures and 12.6 The Alan Fraenkel & John Stuart-Jervis Memorial Trophy. As published in the minutes.

motion adopted unanimously

Motion from LUX: (2nd NED)

To rewrite the mission statement of the merged EOS/EDS and let the bureau approve the proposed changes to the internal regulation.

That will then be published without delay.

motion adopted unanimously

S1 WG meeting minutes

Attachment 18

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

AX WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Uwe Schneider (GER):

The rules have been changed to reflect the recent changes in the General Section and S1. The reference has been corrected and where necessary the wording. We ask for approval of adjusting the rules so that they reflect the General Section and have them approved by the bureau.

There was a comment on the rules for dangerous flying and collision. It is important to keep in mind that we try to keep the fairness in our ruling. These are now indeed two separate rules that have the same doubling in place. There is no connection between these rules. Maybe in the future we need to look into this.

Motion 1:

To approve the changes to the AXMER as presented.

Info :

Rules with the adaptations to AXMER2023 will be checked by AX-WG and proposed to RSC for final approval. Plenary delegates power to bureau to approve the rules.

motion adopted unanimously

AX WG meeting minutes

Attachment 19

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

SCORING WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Marc André (SUI):

Clarifies some changes that are made to the COH.

Discussion on a new scoring formula is delayed to 2024 because of time constraints.

Motion 1: Approve the update to the COH and publish it as COH 2023

Attachment 20

motion adopted unanimously

Scoring WG meeting minutes

Attachment 21

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

19 NEW TECHNOLOGIES SC REPORT

Claude Weber (LUX): Gave a presentation on NTSC work and the SubCommittee meeting and the financial situation of all the investments we made.

Attachment 22

There is a handbook for using Watch Me Fly for your National records. There is a handbook on how to use it that has been worked with in Germany.

Attachment 23

Last year there was a discussion on Balloon Live and WMF becoming mandatory for upcoming events. We decided that it should not be made mandatory in order to give developments the opportunity to grow. If a system that is better comes up and at that time an event with a different system is proposed, it is up to the delegates to vote in favor of something new.

The CIA would like to offer SC and WG cloud space on the FAI server so that documents don't get lost when people change. This will be easy accessible for all commission members. In order to sync the cloud documents on your computer you need an application that you can use with a license. When fully developed there will be assistance in how to use the cloud and how to sync.

New Technologies meeting minutes

Attachment 24

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

Motion 1:

NTSC moves to accept the investment of AUD 3700 (approx. CHF 2250) to develop the pilot registration system in WMF.

motion adopted unanimously

Motion 2:

NTSC moves to accept the investment of CHF 1100 to acquire 50 licenses for the FAI Cloud sync client Mountain Duck for all WG/SC members.

Question from CZE: Do we expect additional costs in the future?
It is hard to predict. We can expect some updates but I don't think we will have to pay a full new fee to make use of those.

motion adopted unanimously

20 PUBLIC AND MEDIA RELATIONS SC REPORT

Debbie Spaeth (USA) held a presentation on the work of the PMR Sub Committee

Besides continuing it's work on articles PMR will this year be working on a more structured Social Media presence and on a website to honour our award winners and champions.

PMR also suggests working on a project similar to the Gordon Bennett TV for Hot Air.

Motion 1:

Request from plenary to discuss startup costs of Hot Air TV to be used in promotion of Hot Air Championship sanctioned by FAI Ballooning Commission with the bureau.

Discussion after the motion:

Concern is to allocate money without a return on investment. And we cannot let the bureau decide on budget items without approval of the plenary.

Some delegates would like to see a more detailed plan before allocating money.

The PMR SC explains that it is a work in progress that we don't want to let sit for another year to go by. This was started last year during worlds and we feel that this needs to continue with a little budget incentive in order to discuss with organizers what their contribution can be. With a long term perspective of it becoming self supporting.

After the discussion an amount was attached to the motion.

Motion 1 rewritten:

Request from plenary to discuss startup costs of Hot Air TV to be used in promotion of Hot Air Championship sanctioned by FAI Ballooning Commission with the bureau.

With a maximum of CHF. 1500

motion adopted unanimously

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CAMPS

Presentations were given on the youthcamps that were held last year in France, Germany, Czech Republic and USA.

Motion 2:

Motion by CIA PMR SC for approval of 1000 CHF per camp (4000CHF total CIA expenditure) for CIA Scholarship Funds to the following 2023 Balloon Youth Camps, subject to the CIA PMR Scholarship rules and documentation prior to payment of funds. For BYC in the following four countries.

- Czech Republic
- France
- Germany
- USA

motion adopted unanimously

**P&MR meeting minutes
Addendum**

**Attachment 25
Attachment 26**

On a from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

21 EVENT ORGANISERS COMMITTEE

This committee had a pre-meeting together with EDS in which they discussed the merging of the Sub Committees. They didn't have a meeting and no minutes were provided.

22 ELECTION OF SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Subcommittee	Chairman / Chairwoman
Jury Board	JC Weber
Officials SC	Steve Ireland
PMR SC	Debbie Spaeth
Records SC	Troy Bradley
Rules SC	Uwe Schneider
Safety and Education SC	David Strasmann
Event Development Services	Lindsay Muir
Competitor SC	Andy Baird
New Technology SC	Claude Weber
Hall of Fame	Mark Sullivan

23 FAI TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS

FAI MEDICO-PHYSIOLOGICAL COMMISSION (CIMP)

The CIA representative David Bareford (GBR) reported on the commission meeting. He points out that the commission tries to work on other medical requirements for AirSport.

FAI ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Steve Ireland said the commission has not been very active in a while. He does see some development in electrical aircrafts but there is not much going on in the commission.

FAI Secretary General explains that the chairman of this commission has resigned last year and has not been replaced since. Therefore there has not been much activity. He does point out that as airsports we do not put enough effort into showing what we do for the environment. He showed the existence of www.sustainability.sport. It is a website that features all sorts of efforts that are done in sports to improve sustainability. Airsports can also add their contributions. Not just individual athlete but also efforts from event organisers.

FAI EUROPE AIR SPORTS

No report, we have no delegate.

FAI CASI

Mark gave a report on all the work this commission does on the General Section of the Sporting Code and the internal regulations. A lot of adjustments have been made over the past year. See published CASI Meeting Minutes

Reports approved unanimously

Nominations for Commission representatives for 2022:

FAI Medico-Physiological Commission	David Bareford (GBR)
FAI Environmental Commission	Steve Ireland (AUS)
Europe Air Sports	
CIA Representative to CASI.	Mark Sullivan (USA)

Nominees elected unanimously

24 SANCTIONED EVENTS

Sanction Applications to all sanctioned events can be found in the documents on the CIA documents part of the website under Events, Events Sanction Documents.

Presentation by EDS chair Lindsay Muir (UK)

Attachment 27

REPORTS ON SANCTIONED EVENTS 2022

- i. *65th. Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett – St. Gallen, Switzerland.
Marc André gave a presentation with insights on Social Media presence and the effect of that and the compilation video was shown.*
- ii. *24th World Hot Air Balloon Championship – Murska Sobota, Slovenia.
The closing video of the event was shown during the meeting.*
- iii. *Central European Cup – Szeged, Hungary
Verbal report from Zoltan Palhegyi.*
- iv. *Coupe du monde des Dames 2022 – Blanzac-Porcheresse, France
Verbal report from Benoît Pelard.*

DAY 2

24.1 REPORTS ON SANCTIONED EVENTS 2023-2024

SANCTIONED EVENTS 2023

- i. *6th Junior World Hot Air Balloon Championship – Grudziadz, Poland
Verbal report from Arkadius Iwanski.*
- ii. *4th Women’s World Hot Air Balloon Championship – Northam, Australia
Verbal report from Steve Ireland.*
- iii. *66th Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett – Albuquerque, USA
Verbal report from Sam Parks with promotion video.*

SANCTIONED EVENTS 2024

- i. *25th Hot Air Balloon World Championship – Szeged, hungary
Presentation by Zoltan Palhegyi.*
- ii. *67th Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett – Germany
Presentation by Sebastian Eimers. This event will be sanctioned by the bureau.*

24.2 SANCTION PROPOSALS

No sanction proposals for other events. We have openings in the calendar for a Junior and a Womens World Championship in 2025.

Motion GB: (2nd USA/CAN)

To extend the sanction application date closure for open 2025 events until end of Sept 2023.

(S1 Annex 7 1.8)

motion adopted unanimously

25 EDS CHAMPIONSHIP CALENDAR AND EVENTS OPEN FOR PROPOSAL

EVENT	CATEGORY	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
WORLD AIR GAMES – NONE SCHEDULED						
HOT AIR BALLOONS (AX)						
General	World	Slovenia		Bids from Mallorca & Hungary		OPEN
	Continental		Bid from Canada (withdrawn). No European Championship		Austria	
Women's	World		Australia		OPEN Bids by 2023	
	Continental	X		OPEN Bids by 2022		OPEN Bids by 2024
Junior	World		Poland		OPEN Bids by 2023	
	Continental	X		OPEN Bids by 2022		OPEN Bids by 2024
GAS BALLOONS (AA)						
General	World	No Event	No Event			
	Continental	No Event	No Event			
Women's	World	No Event	No Event			
	Continental	No Event	No Event			
Junior	World	No Event	No Event			
	Continental	No Event	No Event			
GORDON BENNETT RACE						
		Switzerland Winner 2019	USA (Switzerland withdrawn)	Germany Winner 2022		
General	World	No Event	No Event			
	Continental	No Event	No Event			
Women's	World	No Event	No Event			
	Continental	No Event	No Event			
Junior	World	No Event	No Event			
	Continental	No Event	No Event			
1 Grey background indicates NOT open for bidding in that year.						

25.2 BIDS

2025 23RD EUROPEAN HOT AIR BALLOON CHAMPIONSHIP AUSTRIA

23rd European Hot air Balloon Championship – Wieselburg, Austria

Presentation was held by Christoph Fraisl (AUT)

Attachment 28

There was a discussion about the cost of propane not being included in the entry fee. A suggestion was made to maybe split the risk of a high propane bill between the pilots and the organizer? Pilot pays a fixed amount the difference is paid by the organiser?

Christoph responded that if they find a sponsor for the gas maybe next year he can have another offer but this year he cannot change the bid.

Votes:

21 in favor

1 abstain

25.2 INTENTIONS TO BID

There are no intentions to bid.

26 CIA FINANCIAL REPORTS

Sanne Haarhuis (secretary): A presentation was given on the expenses and income in 2022 and on the adjusted budgets for 2023 and budget for 2024. And the status of our special reserves.

Attachment 29

Attachment 30

Attachment 31

Markus Haggenev (FAI): Explained the officials insurance which we have budgeted for 2023 and 2024.

Motion :

To accept the 2024 CIA Budget

motion adopted unanimously

27 AWARD OF MONTGOLFIER DIPLOMAS

- a) Montgolfier Diploma for Contribution to the development of the Sport is awarded to **Peter Blaser (SUI)**.
- b) Montgolfier Best Performance Gas is awarded to **Benni Eimers (GER)**
- c) Montgolfier Best Performance Hot Air is awarded to **Henk Broeders (NED)**

28 AWARD OF SANTOS DUMONT GOLD AIRSHIP MEDAL

No Nominees were presented.

29 NOMINATIONS FOR FAI AWARDS

CIA President: reminded all delegates of the importance to find nominees for these awards.

30 CIA HALL OF FAME

Mark Sullivan (USA) gave a report and some explanation about how the Hall of Fame nominations and induction work. **Attachment 32**

The FAI page for the Hal of Fame: <https://www.fai.org/page/cia-hall-fame>

The AAIBM Hall of Fame website: <http://www.balloonmuseum.com/fai-ballooning-commission.aspx>

Motion:

To adjust the internal regulations rule 13.4.2 for nominations.

Nominations of both living and posthumous aeronauts must be received at the FAI offices on or before 31 December each year.

CIA delegates have the right to annually recommend one posthumous and one living person from their list to be discussed for inclusion on the nomination list.

The selection committee, as a whole, may also annually recommend one posthumous and one living person to be discussed for inclusion on the nomination list. The selection committee is free to recommend persons from any FAI member. *The nominee will have to get approved by the nominees NAC.*

The delegates may only recommend persons of the same nationality as their own NAC. Persons currently serving on the selection committee may be nominated but will not be eligible to be elected as long as they serve on the selection committee. Previous years' nominees will remain on the nominated list in perpetuity.

motion adopted unanimously

2023 Inductees	2023 Addition to the pool
Dewey Reinhard – USA (living) Philip Dunnington – UK (posthumous)	Stefan Zeberli (SUI) David Bareford (GB) David Hempleman-Adams (UK)

31 ELECTION OF CIA OFFICERS

Presentation by Markus Haggenev

Attachment 33

31.1 ELECTION OF THE CIA PRESIDENT

There were 2 proposals for the position.

Mark Sullivan (USA - current president)
Claude Weber (LUX - declined)

Mark Sullivan was elected.

31.2 ELECTION OF THE CIA FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

There were 2 candidates proposed for the position.

Claude Weber (LUX)
Hiromori Soejima (JPN - declined)

Claude Weber (LUX) was elected.

31.3 ELECTION OF THE CIA SECOND AND THIRD VICE PRESIDENT

There were 4 proposed candidates for the position.

Marc André (SUI)
Lindsay Muir (UK – declined)
Uwe Schneider (GER)
Claude Weber (elected 1st VP)

Uwe Schneider (GER) was elected 2nd VP.
Marc André (SUI) was elected 3rd VP.

31.4 ELECTION OF THE CIA SECRETARY

There was 1 proposed candidate for the position.

Sanne Haarhuis (NED)

Sanne Haarhuis (NED) was elected

32 ELECTION OF SC AND WG MEMBERS

SC	Members	SC	Members	WG	Members
PMR	Ruth Wilson (AUS) Marina Kalousdian (BRA) Jonathan Perron-Clow (CAN) David Strasmann (GER) Katsura Endo (JPN) Kim Magee (USA) Sanne Haarhuis (NED, secretary) Lindsay Muir (UK, EDS) Maria Chiara Cremoni (ITA) Branko Ambrozic (SLO) Jan Suchy (CZE)	EDS	Paolo Oggioni (ITA) Arkadiusz Iwanski (POL) Benoît Pelard (FRA) David Strasmann (GER) Andrew Baird (USA) Debbie Spaeth (USA) Maury Sullivan (USA) Zoltan Palhegyi (HUN) Lynn Sullivan (USA) Markus Haggenev (FAI, observer) JC Weber (LUX, supporting member)	AA	Marc Andre (SUI) (Chair) Luc van Geyte (BEL) Benoît Pelard (FRA) Gerald Stürzlinger (AUT) Troy Bradley (USA) Sebastian Eimers (GER) Marc Sullivan (USA)
Safety	Rudy Paenen (BEL) Andy Chau (HKG) Troy Bradley (USA) David Glead (CAN) Bengt Stener (SWE) Benoît Pelard (FRA) Christoph Fraisl (AUT) Branko Ambrozic (SLO)	Competitors	Paolo Oggioni (ITA) Gerald Stürzlinger (AUT) Uwe Schneider (GER) Maury Sullivan (USA) Hiromori Soejima (JPN) Sam Parks (USA) David Strassman (GER) Sylvia Meini (GER) Igor Miklousic (CRO) Dominic Bareford (UK)	AX	Uwe Schneider (GER) (Chair) Claude Weber (LUX) David Bareford (GBR) Maury Sullivan (USA) Sanne Haarhuis (NED)
Records	Don Cameron (GBR) Sabu Ichiyoshi (JPN) Lindsay Muir (GBR) David Glead (CAN) Hans Akerstedt (SWE) Benjamin Eimers (GER)	NTSC	Steve Ireland (AUS) Erwin Pellegrom, (NED) Marc Andre (SUI) Bengt Stener, (SWE)	BA / BX	Luc van Geyte (Chair) Jerzy Czerniawski Oscar Lindström Sylvia Meini Pit Thibo (Expert)
Officials	Hiromi Furukawa (JPN) Hiromori Soejima (JPN) Sanne Haarhuis (NED) Li Tong (CHN) Debbie Spaeth (USA) Lynn Sullivan (USA) Sylvia Meini (GER)	Hall of Fame	Sabu Ichiyoshi (JPN) Martine Besnainou (FRA) Sanne Haarhuis (NED) Troy Bradley (Expert Advisor). The AAIBM Selection Committee members: Lynne Newton, Jacques Soukup, Mick Murphy	Scoring	Marc Andre (Chair) Erwin Pellegrom (Chair) Bengt Stener (SWE) David Bareford (GBR) Steve Ireland (AUS) Lynn Sullivan (USA) Mike Meini (GER)
		Jury	Debbie Spaeth (USA) John Grubbström (SWE) Hiromori Soejima (JPN) Gary Lockyer (CAN)	SC01	Hiromori Soejima (Chair) Mark Sullivan (USA) Lindsay Muir (GBR) Paolo Oggioni (ITA) JC Weber (LUX)

Motion :

To accept all the presented members of the SC/WG.

motion adopted unanimously

33 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

34 DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Motion :

Giving interested parties 30 days to present a package for the plenary.
Give the bureau permission to make a decision

motion adopted unanimously

Motion :

To move out of Lausanne for the plenary in 2024.
If possible.

motion adopted unanimously

Suggested plenary dates 2024:

Plenary meeting March 15 & 16 2024

SC and WG meetings March 13 & 14 2024



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