CIAM Education S/C, Technical meeting March 27, 2021

Meeting platform: Zoom

Attending the meeting:

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Antonis Papadopoulos  
Ian Kaynes  
Tomas Bartovský  
Ivo Kornatovsky  
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Leomar Prit  
Alan Twigg  
Mike Colling  
Hans Langenhagen  
Uhlig Peter  
Todoroski Zdravko  
Vincent Merlijn  
Wout Heijne  
Pelagic Srdjan  
Simona Tosheska  
Yeginsoy Faruk  
Pelagic Zoran  
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Notes from the meeting:

1. Proposals to the Plenary concerning Education S/C.
   Information about the Education S/C proposal from last year, increasing amount of the scholarship from 2000 to 2500 Euro. The proposal was withdrawn by the chairman of the Education S/C last year due to the financial situation and the Covid pandemic situation causing problems for both FAI and CIAM. BUT the proposal was well received during the discussions last year. Because of the special situation last year, the item is again on the agenda for this year’s Plenary. Also, this year we are facing a special situation so we might get the same problems again. The technical meeting this year was still behind the proposal, but also aware of the special situation and that the Education S/C chairman might have to withdraw again. But we will see closer to the Plenary how the discussion goes.

2. Information about this year’s candidates that has been nominated. Only three names on the list is of course a minus. Some analyzes has been done but of course it is difficult to know exactly why we have few nominations this year. Of course, what we might see is the effect after one-year lockdown all over the world because of the Covid problems. We decided to try within our group to promote extra good for this November to get more names for next year.
On the Plus side is that for the first time we have more women nominated than men. It’s a plus in the sense that in many classes within CIAM it’s difficult to live up to the gender diversity in the sport. The topic to try to get more women in some traditionally male sports comes up in many countries and those questions are pushed quite hard. This year’s nomination for the scholarship shows a trend that we among our younger pilots are going in the right direction with this.

Some typos in the Agenda text for the names was discovered and will be corrected accordingly.

3. Information about the Rookie project. The S/C chairman informed about the status of the project and where we are heading. Vincent from the S/C gave also some information since he is very much involved. Information was given about the layout of the project. There are two parts, and both will be published and accessible at the FAI web. One part is the Rookie project that consist of information, tutorials, instructions and so on how a school, club etc. can make this kind of projects happen. Second part is the Rookie postal that will be an online event for our youngest pilots. Vincent is in contact with Faustine at the FAI office (Faustine Carrera is the FAI communication manager) to make the final things on the web and we hope this project will be launched sometime before the summer in Europe. We also informed about the importance of a massive promotion when we launch so we will get at good kickoff for the project. At this point in the meeting Mr. Alan Twigg joined us and gave positive feedback about the Rookie project. This is important since we want this project not only to be a CIAM thing, it will be a FAI project. Mr. Allan Twigg is President of the FAI Education commission. He also wants us (CIAM Education) to be present at their meeting in April and tell more about the Rookie project there.

4. Rules for a new capacitor class. Vincent made a set of rules that could be looked at as a continuing of the Rookie project and the Rookie postal contest. We want something for the kids that gets hooked on the Rookies and wants something to continue with. We can also see older modeler’s who like to build something with this kind of drivetrain. The rules were discussed, and Ian Kaynes came with an idea that we could perhaps make two sets of rules. One set that more fits the F1 classes with only a duration contest, then another one that is more of an Educational class. We need to continue this work and hopefully we can have something ready for November this year. We also have a chance to test them a bit when we launch the Rookie project and Rookie postal. Then its also nice to present this a set of “test rules” to have something for us to evaluate. We need to continue the work within the Education S/C and include the F1 S/C in the work.

5. Information about our projects involving articles on the FAI Web, News. We have so far managed four articles there, and more are in the pipeline. We need to keep up this work to produce stuff there because it’s a very good way to spread the word about projects involving “Aviation used in Education”. The meeting was asked to think about topics, keep their eyes open, so we can have a good stream of topics for articles coming. Faustine has been very helpful making our texts looking professional when publishing.

6. Some discussions about social media. We still have the FB group CIAM Education that we need to promote and make people use to also post good projects done involving “Aviation used in Education”. The group is meant to be a platform for inspiration and to display those kinds of projects to the public. Together we can make this group more alive by posting stuff there and invite friends. We also discussed the importance of trying to get the youngsters themselves post things. Its vert much the younger
generations way to communicate so if we can reach this, we could most likely get a good “snowball” effect which could generate more interest from our younger pilots.

7. A discussion about the rule proposal for the soaring classes. We discussed the rules for the beginner class F3 RES. Its thought as an introduction class for beginners and with focus on younger pilots. All the meeting was more or less happy with the rules, we could see a use for this kind of class. A good thing is that it has been tested already for some years in a few countries, and there is a good point to try to get some equal rules also for the beginner class so there could be some intranational contests as well. Right now, many countries have their own set of rules for this kind of class. Some concerns were said, the importance of keeping the models simple and at low cost. Some comments that we could make the models even more simple then suggested in the proposal, then cost could be held down quite a lot. We discussed the importance of having such entry class rules for Education purpose. It’s a good way to get new pilots into the class and into our sport.

8. Other matters. Antonis informed that its possible for us to use FAI’s Zoom account if we like to meet also other times. A concern was raised about the problem with time-zones over the world when having digital meetings.

Per Findahl, Education S/C chairman