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Minutes

of the
Annual Meeting
of the
FAI Rotorcraft Commission (CIG)

held in Lausanne, Switzerland
on 3rd and 4th March 2011
at the Maison du Sport International (MSI)

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2. Apologies

A P Herbert	President of Honour
Walter Sonnenborn	USA (Alternate delegate)
Roger Gault	New Zealand (Alternate delegate)
Krista Mandic	Serbia

3. In Memoriam

Silence was observed in honour of our dear friends Günter Zimmer, Martin Rutty and Simon Lichtenstein.

4. Proxy votes and votes

2 proxy votes were received. New Zealand gave its vote to Germany. Belarus gave its vote to Russia.

There were 9 votes present at the meeting, absolute majority 5, and qualified (2/3) majority 6.

5. Conflicts of interest

In accordance with FAI Regulations and the FAI Code of Ethics. Delegates were asked to declare any Conflict of Interest. No Conflicts of Interest were declared.

6. Minutes of CIG meeting in Lausanne 25th and 26th February 2010

The minutes were circulated in April 2010 and published on the CIG Website. These were unanimously recorded as a true record.

7. Action by CIG Bureau since last meeting

The President informed that, except for this morning meeting, during the last year there was no Bureau meeting held.

8. FAI General Conference Report – General Report.

The President's Annual Report to the FAI General Conference is on the CIG webpage having previously been circulated to CIG delegates. The Conference, in Dublin, was attended by CIG President, David

Hamilton. 2nd Vice President Irina Grushina attended as a member of the Russian Delegation. The Gold Rotorcraft medal, awarded to Günter Zimmer, was presented to his wife, Irina Harelyshava at the FAI General Conference.

A working group is reviewing a proposal for Commissions to contribute financially to the FAI.

A Requirement has been made by the Executive Board for the Commission to prepare Budgets by June.

9. FAI World Air Games 2013

Proposals for the next World Air Games 2013

Jean Marc Badan informed the Commission FAI had launched the bid process for WAG 2013 during October 2010. The state of the global economy was a large negative influence.

Interest was noted from a number of cities. It was hoped one bid would be received and evaluated by June 2011. The President advised the CIG would like more competitions within the Air Games. The President requested a volunteer for Liaison Officer. A decision will be made when the event location is decided.

Jean-Marc Badan advised the appointment of an officer would be required to bring technical knowledge to the event to assist the evaluating of the venue.

10. Future World Helicopter Championships

The bid for the 14 WHC has been accepted from Russia by CIG. It will be held at Drakino Airfield near the town of Serpukov. The organiser agreement would be signed by 1st May 2011.

A brochure was presented to CIG delegates explaining the test event. A website in English would be accessible in April 2011. Aircraft will be available for hire. Early registration was requested.

The President requested a registration of interest in the bidding for the 15th World Helicopter Championship with a view to discussion at the next CIG meeting.

11. Amendments to World Championship Rules

The Chairman of the Rules Committee outlined current proposals for the incorporation into the Rules and made explanations about reasons for the changes. The documents were previously circulated to the Delegates, (Annex 1). The amendments, clarifications and alterations were debated. CIG unanimously approved the recommendations which will be incorporated into the Rules.

The Rules Chairman was authorised to transfer all changes to the Rules and to publish them on the CIG Website.

12. Internet competition

David Monks outlined the working groups proposed rules for the internet competition. The documents were previously circulated to the Delegates. (Annex 2).

The decision was made to proceed to start on 1st June 2011. This will allow time to liaise with the FAI to incorporate administration through the webpage. The Fee was set at 20CHF with an option to waive the fee and the requirement for an FAI sporting licence initially.

13. Future Events

- a) Konrad Geißler invited crews and judges to participate in the German Open Helicopter championship event to be held in Bamberg from 28th – 31st July 2011.
- b) The FAI President presented a video on promoting sport and attracting sponsorship and spectator interest. His message, The Way Forward for Air Sports is to advertise on the media platform.
- c) Jean-Marc Badan commented the FAI has a contact with a production company to assist with video production called Airsports TV. They have already produced two helicopter videos from the last WHC which can be accessed via the FAI website.

14. FAI Rotorcraft Gold Medal

A nomination was submitted to award the FAI Rotorcraft Gold Medal to Irina Grushina of Russia by V Ivanov the President of the Federation of Aeronautical Sports of Russia. The Nomination was submitted with the Agenda.

The President reminded the delegates of the criteria for the Award of the FAI Rotorcraft Gold Medal.

The Commission, firstly, must decide whether to award a medal in 2011. The Commission was unanimous in the award of the 2010 Gold Medal to Irina Grushina.

The President stated the official nominations for 2012 must be delivered in writing from the NAC not later than the end of November 2011 to the FAI Secretary-General with a copy to the CIG President. He also proposed that the date for nominations be brought forward to allow time to consider them. Jean-Marc Badan advised the By-Laws would need to be changed.

15.

a) Autogyros (Annex 3 and 4 for discussion)

The contents of Annex 3 and 4 were reported by the President.

Neither the Presidents of Honour nor the Delegates were able to recall any request for the Commission to consider transference of any CIG responsibility to CIMA.

David Monks is in contact with an active Autogyro pilot. Discussions concerning possible competitions are in progress. A Report will be submitted to the next Meeting. (Annex attached)

b) Revision of S9 Progress report by President. (Circulated with agenda).

The President explained changes and revisions to the document he had made. Items in block red print had been deleted. Other alterations/additions were in red type. Attention was brought to Tilt Rotor Methods of propulsion with an additional classification of group 3 for mixed propulsions was to be included.

The alterations made the document in-keeping with the CIG requirements.

The Commission approved the revision and instructed the President to make any further amendments after discussing them with the Secretariat. The Revision will be implemented on 1st June 2011.

16. CIG Webpage

The website is being revised. David Monks & Faustine Carrera of the FAI are working together to achieve this. The new site will be a platform to advertise with video. Delegates were asked to forward information, photographs and news to Brenda Nicoll who will update the website (brenda.nicoll@britishhelicopterteam.co.uk).

Jean-Marc appealed to delegates to share photographs with the FAI along with information of the rights for promotional purposes. The new website is being developed in phases. Phase one will have a new layout by April with phase two providing password protection to a registered group of users. A document exchange will be available.

Jean-Marc Badan reported that the problems incurred with the FAI sporting licences database has been resolved and is now functioning.

17. Finance

The President reported the CIG has a low income. Currently there is 14,800 CHF in the account. Expenses included plenary meeting and approved Presidential travel.

FAI requires the preparation of the accounts sooner to aid the Finance Director's workload Budgets must be prepared by June each year.

Sanction Fee:

FAI is looking at contributions from Commissions to the FAI. The CIG President proposed a small increase of the sanction fee to 100 CHF with immediate effect. This was approved. Rules Chairman to incorporate this change.

18. Approval of International Judges

Wolfgang Perplies tabled an updated list of 'Approved Judges'. (See attached)

19. Any other business

- a) Jacques Escaffre reported upon a new type of helicopter being developed in France.
- b) Wolf-Dietrich Tesar discussed his thoughts for the need for countries to combine efforts and hold their national championships with other countries and alternate the venues. The President suggested this would not be a role for the CIG but for each country wanting to be involved to contact each other.
- c) Fulvia Quagliotti asked for details of any educational department within the FAI. Jean-Marc to advise.
- d) Konrad Geißler raised a proposal for a Memorial Trophy in the name of Günter Zimmer, to be awarded, by an International Committee, to a person dedicated to promoting helicopter sports. Jean-Marc Advised it could be an FAI CIG award. A detailed proposal will be submitted to the next Meeting.
- e) Irina Grushina asked for a preliminary notification of entrants to the Russian Open Test Event.
- f) John Matchett suggested competition offering FAI medals and diplomas would attract more competitors and invitations to open events should be made to nations with no specific helicopter club. The President to establish if this is possible. Jean-Marc advised medals are awarded at Category One events. Some Commissions do offer smaller FAI medals. The subject will be discussed at the next meeting.

20. Elections

CIG Election due in 2012.

21. Date of next meeting

The Plenary Meeting will take place on 1st and 2nd March 2011 in Lausanne starting at 14.30 on 1st March 2012.

The Bureau will meet in Lausanne at 09.30 on 1st March 2012.

An informal dinner will be held on the evening of 1st March to which the FAI staff will be invited as guests.

These minutes prepared by David Monks were approved by the President of CIG on March 18th 2011.