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Minutes

of the Annual Meeting of the FAI Air Sport General Commission (CASI)

Meeting at Dayton Marriott Hotel
**On Wednesday 25th October 2023 and
on 26th October 2023**
10:00 AM

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1. ROLL CALL

Present

NAC's	Australia (Grahame Hill), Brazil (Salvador Haim), France (Bruno Delor), Germany (Claus Cordes), Spain (Carles Aymat), Sweden (Ann-Sophie Tersmeden), UK (Rob Hughes) and USA (Art Greenfield)
ASC's	CIA (Sanne Haarhuis), CIAM (Antonis Papadopoulos), CIG (Serafina Ogonczyk-Makowska), CIMA (Wolfgang Lintl), CIVL (Bill Hughes), IGC (Rick Sheppe), GAC (Hans Schwebel), ISC (Gillian Rayner)
TCs	CIMP (Tomas Drekonja)
CASI Bureau:	Antonis Papadopoulos, Gillian Rayner, Art Greenfield, Bruno Delor, Rob Hughes
FAI EB:	David Monks FAI President, Marina Vigorito, Agust Gudmundsson, Patrick Naegeli and Andy Chau
FAI Secretariat:	Markus Haggene, Secretary General
Observers:	Denmark (Ojvind Frank), France (Jean-Luc Charron), Korea (Chanduk Park)
Absent:	Czech Republic, Switzerland, EnvC, Education, CIVA, CIACA and ICARE

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Czech Republic, Switzerland, CIVA, CIACA, ICARE, and the Secretary Mrs. Elisabet Mikaelsson.

3. PROXIES

No proxies were recorded.

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Declarations of conflict of interest were called for and none were recorded.

5. CASI PRESIDENT'S WELCOME and REPORT

The CASI Plenary convened on October 25th at 10:00 AM.

The CASI President welcomed all attendees and hoped for a productive meeting. Then he gave the floor to the FAI President. The FAI President expressed his pleasure at the number of attendees and highlighted the importance of FAI of the CASI since it is taking care of the FAI Sporting Code General Section.

The CASI Report was sent to FAI and will be published together with the rest of the Commission's President's Reports. This report is also included with these minutes as Annex 5.

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Attendees are invited to approve the minutes of the FAI General Air Sport Commission Plenary Meeting 2022 which was held electronically. The minutes were published on the FAI website.

The motion to approve the Minutes was passed unanimously.

7. FAI SPORTING CODE GENERAL SECTION REVISION

The project to revise the General Section was chaired by Stephane MALBOS. There were a lot of discussions using the Basecamp tool. There were a few items brought forward from the previous CASI Plenary Meeting.

This revision took care of the recommendations received from the Tribunals and also the mandate of the EB to extend the Drone Permission to participate, as the FAI Permission to participate and to include other new activities as well.

A new Class J (Jetpack) was introduced and the detailed definitions will be included in the updated General Section, after consultation with the CASI members and approval using electronic means.

All the proposed changes were presented and explained to the Plenary and were approved unanimously.

8. APPEALS

The President spoke of the Appeals handled during 2023. He highlighted the very high workload and the precautions needed to manage them. The risk of an Appeal ending up at CAS and causing enormous costs for

FAI, is very real and care needs to be taken to prevent that happening. The FAI President expressed his thanks to the members of the last Appeal Tribunal and asked that it be minuted. As two recent Appeals concerned Jury performance, Jury training was mentioned, and the need to have very competent Jury members at competitions. The last IAT recommended that CASI determine a process for Remote Juries and consider Jury Training. That will be addressed before the next CASI Plenary when proposals will be made.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 FAI STATUTES vs GENERAL SECTION.

Review and harmonization of the definitions for Air Sports and Commissions.

A statute change was presented to the Plenary to refer to the Commission Sections of the Sporting Code as "Specialised sections" instead of "Specific".

The President presented the definitions of each Commission and requested that they be reviewed and updated as necessary. He highlighted the importance of maintaining the accuracy of these definitions.

9.2 E- AIRSPORTS FUTURE.

For the first time, a live competition was held during the FAI Drone World Championship in Korea. CASI must consider how to treat e-Airports in the future. e-Airports are a way to introduce airports to young people and in the airports world. There are already other entities claiming to own E-Sports and we need to be proactive and include something more in the Sporting Code General Section to define what we want and need. e-Airports already include Gliding, Aeromodelling (Drones), Paramotor Air Navigation, and even potentially General Aviation. The President proposed hosting a specific Zoom meeting to further discuss e-Airports.

9.3 JURY GUIDELINES REVISION

The proposed document included in the agenda was not discussed. A few changes to the General Section which were approved just before, need to be included in the updated version. The President mentioned that this document is an assistance to the Juries and not a rule, so he asked the Plenary to authorise the CASI Bureau to update this volume when so required during the year. The Plenary unanimously approved this proposal and the President mentioned that the new version will be ready for publication before the year-end.

9.4 BIDDING FOR CAT1 EVENTS

The document was not presented. There was a discussion between the FAI Secretary General and some of the Commission's delegates because the OA request form, introduced by Secretariat in 2022 as a help document in support of FAI By-Laws 1.2.7 to 1.2.10, asks for information which can be found in some of the existing bid forms and that Secretariat is ready to assist on that. The Plenary authorised the CASI Bureau to review the progress of this matter and if it proved that such a document is helpful for the community to introduce it even during the year.

9.5 MINIMUM AGE TO PARTICIPATE IN FAI EVENT

This question was brought up by the delegate from Sweden where the government has set an age limit of 13 for participation in competition. This was discussed and it was apparent that different countries have different age limits. Commissions have also set their own limits. CIMP will discuss the matter at its next meeting and make recommendations to CASI which will be welcomed. It is up to each Commission to accept, or not, the limits set either by the Commission or the host country of a competition when determining the athletes to send.

The CASI Plenary meeting was suspended until after the election of the new CASI member countries that will take place during the FAI General Conference on October 26th.

The meeting was adjourned around 1:45 p.m.

***** End of day 1 *****

***** Start of day 2 *****

10. ELECTIONS

The participating delegates will be asked to elect the CASI Bureau according to the provisions of the FAI Statutes and By-Laws.

Following the election of new CASI members (Belgium, Brazil, France, Great Britain and Italy) during the General Conference, the CASI Plenary resumed on October 26th at 6:00 p.m. to elect the new CASI Bureau.

Nominations were called for.

For the position of President, the only nominee was Antonis Papadopoulos and following acceptance by him, he was elected by acclamation.

For the position of First Vice President, the only nominee was Gillian Rayner, she accepted and was elected by acclamation.

For the three posts of Vice President, three candidates were nominated, all accepted and Art Greenfield, Rob Hughes, and Bruno Delor were elected by acclamation.

For the post of Secretary, Elisabet Mikaelsson, although absent, Elisabet confirmed her willingness to continue in the role. No other nomination was received and Elisabet was elected by acclamation.

The CASI Plenary was concluded at 6:15 p.m. on October 26th.

***** End of day 2 *****

